

AJP NATCOM Motion: On Positions and Policies

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NATCOM, informed by the discussion at the 2017 National Conference, recognises that members must be able to trust that the party will stay focused on animals. Hence our policies will keep that focus. They will determine the issues which dominate the effort of our elected representatives.

But we also recognise that the voting public need to know how AJP representatives will vote on important non-animal issues. Thus, when we believe a position follows clearly from our core values of rationality, non-violence, kindness and equality, then we will adopt it, without reference to the membership. But we recognise our fallibility and allow that a single adequately argued communication from a member may cause us to rescind or modify that position.

On some issues, there may be no single obvious position flowing from our core values, in which case our representative will exercise a conscience vote.