

# *Cooperman Vision*

## **Proposal to David Cameron, Prime Minister**

### **Working Groups to research social and other problems within the United Kingdom**

Within the United Kingdom we have many social and other problems which so far as I can see are not being currently addressed by Government. We also have within this Country many retired people who in their careers achieved a great deal and who could now provide their skills and abilities for the benefit of the Nation.

My proposal is for the Government to bring the problems and the relevant retired people together and put them into Working Groups. It is and has always been my view that any and every problem has a solution if there is the will and ability to bring it about. The Groups would consist of as many people as the Chairperson of the Group thought appropriate to carry out the research and Report in a similar fashion to IDS, who over the last few years has researched the benefits system and the people within that system.

I would not propose that the members of the Groups are paid a salary but receive expenses only to keep down the costs. In any event I do not expect the right people to require an income but only the satisfaction of making better lives for their fellow citizens in the UK.

These are the areas that I believe the Working Groups should prioritise:-

1. A programme which will turn teenagers of no worth into teenagers of worth
2. How parents can be educated to bring their children up to a standard that the average parent would think appropriate
3. How to Improve the Criminal Justice system so that committing crime becomes a 'mugs game'

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4. Consider how local authorities can work with local people to improve their locality
5. Find a way after all these years to 'break the back' of litter pollution in the streets and along motorways. Suggestion: have people receiving benefit do ten hours work per week litter picking in their area.
6. Find ways of reducing the number of deaths and serious injuries on the roads by improving the standard of driving requirements, so even fewer accidents occur. This could include making all driving instructors attend and pass the Police driving class one course.
7. Go to France and Germany to study how much better the public services are there and bring back the best ideas.
8. Find ways of eradicating Anti Social Behaviour (Please see attached my Proposal in this regard)

In each of the above areas I would like the Working Group to be chaired by either a retired senior Judge or retired Queens Counsel, so that there is always a structured process put into place and the research is done in a methodical way. The other members would be people from the areas with the particular expertise but be as broad a group of people as possible, including people who know how to run businesses (Sir Terry Leahy for example).

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