

THE DEMOCRATIC UNIONIST PARTY MANIFESTO AND IMMIGRATION

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Published on 31 May, the DUP manifesto has little to say about immigration and focuses mainly on Northern Ireland's relationship with the rest of the UK.



No specifics for immigration policies

"Effective immigration policy which meets the skills, labour and security needs of the UK."



Maintaining the Common Travel Area

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"Frictionless border with Irish Republic assisting those working or travelling in the other jurisdiction."

"Strengthened relationships across the four components parts of the United Kingdom with no internal borders."



New and existing free trade arrangements

"Ease of trade with the Irish Republic and throughout the European Union."

"Progress on new free trade deals with the rest of the world."

"Comprehensive free trade and customs agreement with the European Union."

"Customs arrangements which facilitate trade with new and existing markets."

"Arrangements to facilitate ease of movement of people, goods and services."



Safeguarding the rights of EU citizens currently in the UK

"Rights of British citizens in the EU and those from EU member states living here safeguarded."



Focus shifted from EU to Commonwealth relations

"Our membership of the EU meant the Commonwealth and its contribution was often overlooked... an international network we must utilise better at pursuing our mutual interests."

"Particular circumstances of Northern Ireland with a land border with the EU fully reflected."

"Jurisdiction of European Court of Justice ended and greater control over our laws restored."