

① The Victims must not be forgotten (esp in the prisons)

② A wish to "write some organization the out of the picture."

③ Making our opinions into a conflict identity.

④ A lot of speed (honeymoon period)
(post-Christmas pressure)

⑤ Proposals for the proper spending of money.

⑥ The recent trauma for ministers

⑦ The VDF/POP are not widely representative.

⑧ Danger of leaving the community behind.

⑨ Sinn Fein's wish to distance itself from IRA.

⑩ Emphasis on the issue of arms + decommissioning.

⑪ Don't forget that we need to create a new Alliance with - involvement of other parties. (esp North-South Economic power)

⑫ Hardening up on our promotion of ourselves.

⑬ The danger of FF in opposition (we need to keep them on the right lines)

⑭ Deep fears in the Protestant people.

⑮ What North-South bodies? (Party of Eastern - Irish Island South)

⑯ Mainly issue. (agitation of other things + weapons with terrorism)

Strategy Day 7.1.94.

Strategy -

Nature of the Party -

How we indicate our difference -

- ① Need to check out position of others before making statements.
Proactive more than reactive.
- ② Broad Church party - range of Conservative - Liberal - Dem. Soc.
- ③ How do we reflect our difference and yet our unity.

Language is an issue - generational issue. (1st principle is no longer an issue) Vocabulary being important.

How will our talks today impact on the next $\frac{6}{12}$?

* Transparency means no talking about our proposals. *

Position of party people on Statutory Body / etc.

* Policing (public attitude likely to change with place - no violence)
Don't think that British community may be very conservative.

Economy - mature + realistic attitude to money.

Politics is about power + control - how do we get it? Seen as the third group - vulnerable - must not be wacky - wacky.

(What is our big issue - "Taking responsibility for our own affairs")

Priority of esteem (easy if you are in the minority)

* Position of Labour + Lib Dem.

* Framework Document.

Why are the statements not being covered?

We have been wrong about the recent past — (PEACE)
(The murders, rape, child abuse, drugs etc — important
issues for the policies of the future.) (PEOPLE)
Power is with the two governments. — (POWER)

No settlement yet time.

Comments.

- ① we have been wrong.
 - ② Things have changed.
 - ③ Economy.
 - ④ Policies.
 - ⑤ Packaging.
- (not seen as having brought
peace)
- We do have some power.

Groups.

POLICING / PRISONERS

ECONOMY

SOCIAL ISSUES INC. COMMUNITY RELATIONS / VICTIMS ETC.

CONSTITUTIONAL ISSUES + FORMS OF GOVERNMENT,

TANKS ISSUES

PRESS + PUBLICITY.

We should speak more openly about our proposals.

Social Issues

Peace creates a context for creating a new society. Victims should not continue to be ignored.

Community Relations Commission - should not just focus on working class areas. Social effect of the negative peace dividend. Danger of a criminal network. Problems of segregated housing. Promotion of integrated education. Role of sport + the Arts.

Policing

Proposal of Department of Justice + local control of Policing.
Cross-border body - [police-training]
Cross-border VAT - Customs + Excise).

Economy

Energy - North-South Interconnector. Infrastructural development - Community Business as involvement of people in business life - self-help.
Closer cooperation of IRL/UK. Party of business.

Constitutional Issues

Evolution. Accountability, consent, transparency, empowerment, and involvement. This includes North-South bodies - we need to be clear about them. (Areas where it would be beneficial + areas where it wouldn't be beneficial)
Both jurisdictions should adopt the same wording in their separate legislation.

Consensus on economy between Hindus + Soc Jems.

Real No. 9. Economic situation.

No small ambitions.

A settlement is the framework for building a new society. (After a settlement we will be 'happy' to accept the settlement - it will be other things which we will be wanting to change.)

Having power - the power to change things for the better.

Build on our strengths (not least our strong areas.)

* We are a broad church but we cannot hope to include everyone.

Economic policy - self-help with government support.

Public perception in nationalist areas is based on their historic background + purpose. (History R/C / RUC)

We don't have a sympathetic newspaper.

How do we use the media best? How + when do we put out statements etc. Get help on presentation.

Do you think this peace will last? People do not believe there is going to be a settlement. Get across the message that tribal voting is not going to bring a settlement.

Politics is all about power - what settlement? says Shamus - wants to stay with old ways.