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1.1	Criminal law – discriminatory provisions & practices	Scotland – decriminalisation	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 1978 Minutes. • Letter from Robin Cook to Scottish office. • 1980 Minutes: Criminal Justice (Scotland) Bill. • Text of the Criminal Justice (Scotland) Bill (26/6/1980) (the Robin Cook amendment). • Hansard report of the House of Commons debate (22/7/1980). • Letter to Gay News providing information on MPs who voted against the Cook amendment. • Standard letter to peers in support of Cook Bill. • Standard letter from Scottish Office re Cook Bill. • 1985 Minutes (Law Reform (Miscellaneous Provisions) Scotland Bill). • Proposed amendments to Law Reform (miscellaneous provisions) (Scotland) Bill (intended to remove discriminatory provisions of 1980 Criminal Justice (Scotland) Act and limit powers of Customs and Excise) + letter to Donald Dewar MP and his (unhelpful) reply. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 2, 3, 4 1978 • December 1979 • 11 1980 • July 1980 • July 1980 • July 1980 • July 1980 • July 1980 • 1, 2, 3, 4, 5 1985 • January 1985

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1.2	Criminal law – discriminatory provisions & practices	Northern Ireland – decriminalisation [See also Box 11 for detailed papers relating to the Dudgeon v. UK case and also the Gay Lobby file – Box 12]	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 1978 minutes • 1979 Minutes - Dudgeon case. • CHE News Update – article on law reform in Northern Ireland. • 1980 Minutes -Dudgeon case. • 1980 Minutes: PQs on what occasions UK matters have been discussed in the Council of Europe Council of Ministers [should be Committee] and conclusions reached. • Correspondence with ministers/MPs following decision of European Human Rights Commission in Dudgeon case. • Minutes of CHE June 1980 Executive Committee meeting. • July Broadsheet – lobbying campaign around the Saunders case, and the European Commission of Human Rights’ finding against the UK in the Dudgeon case • 1981 Minutes - Dudgeon case. • 1982 Minutes. • Correspondence on Early Day Motion on proposed changes to the law in Northern Ireland. • Correspondence with Jeff Dudgeon re lobbying in support of the Northern Ireland Order in Council. • NIGRA press release on Northern Ireland Order in Council, draft order, plus related correspondence, plus Hansard report of Commons debate. • 1983 Minutes – ECHR Dudgeon case. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 6, 8, 9, 10, 11 1978 • 3, 5, 6, 8, 1979 • August 1979 • 1, 4, 5, 6, 10 1980 • 2 1980 • May 1980 • June 1980 • July 1980 • 3, 10 1981 • 7, 9, 11 1982 • April 1982 • July 1982 • November 1982 • 3 1983
1.3	Criminal law – discriminatory provisions & practices	Channel Islands, Isle of Man, Gibraltar, dependent territories – decriminalisation	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 1981 Minutes – (in light of Dudgeon judgment). • 1982 Minutes. • Letter to Lord Carrington, Foreign Secretary, in the light of Dudgeon judgment. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 10, 12 1981 • 2, 9, 10, 11, 12 82 • February 1982

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			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 1983 Minutes. • Letter from Isle of Man Attorney General. • 1984 Minutes - Channel Islands, Isle of Man, Gibraltar. • 1984 Minutes – Gibraltar - possible ECHR case. • Letter from Home Office on decriminalisation in Jersey following the Dudgeon case. • 1985 Minutes. • 1985 Minutes – possible Gibraltar ECHR case. • 1986 Minutes. • PQ, correspondence with David Ashby MP re Channel Islands • 1987 Minutes. • 1988 Minutes. • 1989 Minutes – ECHR & dependent territories. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 1, 2, 3, 4, 6, 7, 8, 9 1983 • March 1983 • 1, 3 1984 • 10, 11 1984 • March 1984 • 9, 10, 12 1985 • 2, 4, 5, 6, 7 1985 • 2, 4, 6, 7, 9 1986 • February 1986 • 2, 3, 6, 9, 10, 11 87 • 1, 6, 10, 12 1988 • 1, 2, 3, 4, 6 1989
1.4	Criminal law – discriminatory provisions & practices	<p>Ban on lesbians and gay men serving in the Armed Forces</p> <p>[See Boxes 8 & 9 for papers relating to CHE’s campaigns on the Armed Forces between 1978 and 1986.]</p> <p>[See Box 11 for the decision of the European Commission of Human Rights in the John Bruce case]</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 1977 Minutes • 1980 Minutes. • 1980 Minutes – John Bruce case. • Correspondence Mike Jarrett/Nigel Warner on Armed Forces and other matters. • 1981 Minutes. • John Bruce case – 1981 Minutes. • CHE executive committee Minutes of April 1981 report successful press conference on Armed Forces. • Note of meeting at House of Commons with CHE MP vice presidents – 13 May 1981. • 1982 Minutes. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 11 1977 • 7, 10 1980 • 11, 12 1980 • October 1980 • 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 9, 10, 12 1981 • 1 1981 • April 1981 • May 1981 • 1, 2, 3 1982

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			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 1983 Minutes. • 1983 Minutes – John Bruce ECHR case. • House of Commons Defence Committee report on positive vetting procedures and related press report. • 1984 Minutes. • Article for CHE newsletter on “European Human Rights Convention setback” (deals with rejection of cases on immigration and Armed Forces, and prospects for privacy and age of consent cases). • 1985 Minutes. • CHE Executive Committee – Minutes of meeting on 16 November 1985. • 1986 Minutes. • Minutes of CHE Executive Committee meeting on 16 March 1986 (Armed Forces, public order, obscenity bill). • Minutes of CHE Executive Committee meeting on 19 April 1986. • Letter dated 3/6/86 to Kevin McNamara MP requesting PQs on the Calcutt report on interview techniques employed by the service police in Cyprus in 1984. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 7, 8, 9 1983 • 7, 12 1983 • August 1983 • 3, 4, 6, 7, 9, 10 1984 • February 1984 • 3, 4, 6, 11, 12 1985 • November 1985 • 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6 1986 • March 1986 • April 1986 • May 1986
1.5	Criminal law – discriminatory	Merchant Navy – sex between merchant seamen	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 1977 minutes • 1978 Minutes on amendment to Merchant Shipping Bill.¹ 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 11 1977 • 8, 10, 11 1978

¹ CHE amendment to end the ban on gays serving in the merchant navy tabled by Eric Ogden MP and debated, but squeezed out by lack of time when the Bill was hurried through its final stages before the dissolution ahead of the May 1979 General Election.

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	provisions & practices	on board ship a criminal offence	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Hansard report of Commons debate on Merchant Shipping bill in January 1979. • 1979 Minutes. • 1981 Minutes. • Correspondence with Stanley Clinton Davis MP on tabling of PQ. • 1984 Minutes – Tom Cox PQ. • PQ by Tom Cox MP on merchant seamen (30 July 1984). 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • January 1979 • 1, 2, 3, 4 1979 • 1 1981 • February 1981 • 9 1984 • July 1984
1.6	Criminal law – discriminatory provisions & practices	Sexual offences -Criminal Law Revision Committee proposals [see additional papers on CHE’s submission to the CLRC – Box 7]	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 1980 Minutes – CLRC Working Paper. • 1981 Minutes – CLRC Working Paper. • CHE Broadsheet for February 1981 with article on campaign on CLRC working paper on sexual offences. • 1984 Minutes. • CHE press release recording profound disappointment at findings of the report of the Criminal Law Revision Committee. • The Criminal Law Revision Committee – 15th Report – Sexual Offences – April 1984. • Letter to the Home Secretary registering CHE’s disappointment with the CLRC’s 15th report on sexual offences; and reply (dated 10 December 1984). • 1985 Minutes – CLRC report. • 1988 Minutes – CLRC report – PQ on implementation of recommendations on age of consent and privacy (“no plans”). 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 11, 12 1980 • 1, 2, 3, 4 1981 • February 1981 • 4, 5, 6, 9, 10, 11 84 • April 1984 • April 1984 • October 1984 • 1 1985 • 6, 12 1988
1.7	Criminal law – discriminatory provisions & practices	Male age of consent [See also Box 7 containing detailed material on the CHE submission to the June 1979	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 1979 Minutes. • Documents on campaign responding to Policy Advisory Committee working paper age of consent proposals. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 6, 7, 8, 10, 12 1979 • June 1979

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		<p>Policy Advisory Committee Working Paper]</p> <p>[See also Box 11 for papers relating to the Desmond ECHR case]</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Message to CHE groups on campaign re PAC report on age of consent. • Documents on Policy Advisory Committee report. • Two documents relating to IGA members’ submissions to Policy Advisory Committee. • 1980 Minutes: Peter Wells age of consent case. • 1980 Minutes. • Note of meeting with Parliamentary Civil Liberties Group on PAC working paper on age of consent • CHE discussion paper on law relating to consensual sexual acts and CHE policy on paedophilia and the age of consent. • 1981 Minutes. • Draft letter to DPP regarding prosecution policy in light of PAC recommendation that age of consent be reduced to 18. • Proposed 1981 Conference motions on age of consent. • 1982 Minutes – ECHR age of consent case – Desmond case • 1982 Annual Conference Report. • 1984 Minutes – Desmond case inadmissible & next steps at Council of Europe. • 1984 Minutes – medical submissions to the Policy Advisory Committee obtained. • Letter to CLRC seeking disclosure of the medical evidence on which the Policy Advisory Committee recommended a male age of consent of 18. • Letter to Home Office seeking disclosure of the medical evidence on which the Policy Advisory Committee recommended a male age of consent of 18. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • July 1979 • August 1979 • October 1979 • 3 1980 • 8, 10, 11, 12 1980 • February 1980 • August 1980 • 1, 2, 4, 5, 6,12 1981 • June 1981 • September 1981 • 1, 2, 3 1982 • September 1982 • 7, 9, 1984 • 10, 11 1984 • July 1984 • September 1984

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			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 1986 Minutes. • 1988 Minutes – Isle of Man prosecution. • 1989 Minutes – Isle of Man prosecution. • 1989 Minutes: government refuses to implement reduction in age of consent to 18 as proposed in Law Commission proposal for criminal code. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 2 1986 • 12 1988 • 1, 3 1989 • 6 1989
1.8	Criminal law – discriminatory provisions & practices	Privacy laws [see also Box 11 for papers relating to the Johnson ECHR case]	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 1982 Minutes – ECHR privacy case (Martin Johnson). • 1983 Minutes – ECHR privacy case. • 1985 Minutes – ECHR privacy case. • 1986 Minutes – ECHR privacy case. • 1988 Minutes – possible ECHR case. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 12 1982 • 2, 3, 4 1983 • 5, 6, 11 1985 • 3, 5, 6, 12 1986 • 11 1988
1.9	Criminal law – discriminatory provisions & practices	Soliciting & prostitution [see additional papers on CHE’s submission to the CLRC – Box 7]	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 1979 Minutes. • Submission to the Criminal Law Revision Committee on prostitution (2 different versions). • 1982 Minutes – Criminal Justice Bill – proposed amendments on imprisonment for soliciting, age of consent and Northern Ireland. • 1982 Minutes – CLRC working paper on soliciting & prostitution. • Correspondence regarding Robert Kilroy Silk’s amendments to Criminal Justice Bill 1982 on the period of imprisonment for soliciting (also, age of consent and Northern Ireland) + Hansard of second Reading debate. • 1983 Minutes – CLRC report. • 1983 Minutes – letter to Home Secretary urging police guidelines. • 1984 Minutes: CHE submission to CLRC on soliciting. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 7, 10, 12 1979 • December 1979 • 3, 4, 6 1982 • 12 1982 • April 1982 • 4, 12 1983 • 10 1983 • 2, 3, 9, 1984

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			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 1984 minutes: Kerb crawling/soliciting bill (Janet Fookes). • CHE comments on the CLRC Working Paper on offences relating to prostitution and allied offences plus related papers • CLRC Report on “prostitution in the street” (covering also homosexual soliciting). • Article from the Guardian on the CLRC report. • Letter to Matthew Parris MP re approach to Janet Fookes MP on the inclusion of soliciting in her private member’s bill. • 1985 Minutes. • Janet Fookes’ MP “Kerb crawling” bill & related correspondence. • Correspondence with MPs on “kerb crawling bill” + Hansard report of debate on second reading. • Letter from Clare Short MP re kerb crawling bill. • Correspondence regarding kerb crawling bill. • “Kerb crawling” bill plus amendment sent to Lord Gifford, plus Clare Short MP letter. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 12 1984 • February 1984 • September 1984 • September 1984 • December 1984 • 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7 85 • January 1985 • February 1985 • April 1985 • May 1985 • June 1985
1.91	Criminal law – discriminatory provisions & practices	DPP guidelines for public prosecuting service	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 1986 Minutes - letter to government law officer on the need for the guidelines to state unequivocally that there should be no difference in prosecution policy. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 1 1986
1.92	Criminal law – discriminatory provisions & practices	Consensual sexual offences – sentencing	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 1983 Minutes – the Dighton case (2 ½ years for consensual buggery with a 19-year-old) • The Dighton case – transcript of judgments. • Briefing for March Executive Committee meeting (one-year imprisonment for consensual buggery with 17-year-old). 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 3, 8 1983 • August 1983 • March 1984

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1.93	Criminal law – discriminatory provisions & practices	Criminal statistics	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 1979 Minutes. • Home Office statistics on serious offences recorded by the police in 1979 and Q1 1980. • 1982 Minutes – soliciting – statistics for imprisonment. • 1985 Minutes - convictions for soliciting and gross indecency in 1984. • 1986 Minutes - statistics for soliciting. • 1986 Minutes – criminal convictions statistics. • PQ on gross indecency statistics for Johnson ECHR case. • Hansard report of Jo Richardson PQ on imprisonment for consenting sexual acts. • 1987 Minutes – criminal statistics/soliciting/cautioning. • 1987 Minutes: Statistics on imprisonment for consensual homosexual acts. • PQ by Jo Richardson MP on men imprisoned for relations with 16 to 21-year-olds in 1985. • PQ by Jo Richardson MP on men aged between 16 and 21 prosecuted, convicted and imprisoned for acts with other males between 16 and 21. • 1989 Minutes – imprisonment for consensual homosexual acts. • Reply to PQ on sentences for sex with males between 16 and 21 years in 1986 and 1987. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 3 1979 • July 1980 • 7 1982 • 12 1985 • 2 1986 • 1, 7 1986 • April 1986 • April 1986 • 6, 11 1987 • 2, 3, 5 1987 • February 1987 • March 1987 • 1 1989 • January 1989
2	Hong Kong	Decriminalisation, employment discrimination, harassment.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 1979 Minutes. • 1981 Minutes. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 2 1979 • 2, 6, 10 1981

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			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • PQ by Roland Moyle MP on HK government circular banning homosexuals from employment in public services and compliance with UN ICCPR. • 1982 Minutes. • Letter from FCO on employment of homosexuals in Hong Kong civil service. • 1983 Minutes. • Letter to Robert Parry MP on harassment of gays. • PQ by Alf Dubs on decriminalisation in Hong Kong and on the role of the special investigation unit of the Hong Kong police. • Hong Kong Law Reform Commission Report on Laws Governing Homosexual Conduct – summary. • 1984 Minutes. • Letter to Robert Parry MP enclosing suggested PQ on the Law Reform Commission of Hong Kong proposals & Hansard report of the written answer (22 March 1984). • Letter from Paddy Ashdown MP with response to Hong Kong PQ. • 1985 Minutes. • Correspondence with Paddy Ashdown MP on Hong Kong law reform. • Reply to PQ by Jo Richardson MP on imprisonment in Hong Kong for homosexual offences. • 1987 Minutes. • Press cutting on Hong Kong plans to liberalise laws on homosexuality. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • March 1982 • 2, 3, 4, 6 ,7, 10 82 • July 1982 • 1, 3, 7 1983 • March 1983 • March 1983 • July 1983 • 7 1984 • March 1984 • July 1984 • 2 1985 • February 1985 • December 1986 • 5, 6, 9, 10 1987 • May 1987

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3	Policing	Police harassment	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> CHE proposals on action (addressing police malpractice in investigations, use of cautioning, sentences for gross indecency and importuning) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> March 1979
3.1	Policing	Royal Commission on Criminal Procedure (Phillips Commission)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1979 Minutes. + ‘CHE News Update’ with article on the Royal Commission on Criminal procedure submission (June 1979). CHE evidence to the Royal Commission on Criminal Procedure (June 1979),² related news release, & follow-up letter. 1981 Minutes. Report of the Royal Commission on Criminal Procedure – January 1981 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1, 2, 5, 6, 10 1979 August 1979 30 October 1979 9, 10 1981 Loose in Box 3
3.2	Policing	Police Complaints Board report	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1980 Minutes. CHE draft comments on the Triennial Review Report. 1981 Minutes. CHE observations on triennial review report. 1982 Minutes - CHE proposals & other actions. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 11 1980 November 1980 2, 3, 4 1981 March 1981 1, 2, 3, 6, 7 1982
3.3	Policing	Home Office codes on police practices	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1982 Minutes 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 9, 10 1982
3.4	Policing	Police training	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1982 Minutes – police training materials. Draft materials for police training. 1983 Minutes – police training. Meeting at Home Office with Douglas Hurd, Home Office minister. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 2, 7, 11, 12 1982 November 1982 1, 2 1983 July 1984

² The CHE recommendations dealt with street offences such as importuning, gross indecency with males under 21, police cautioning, defence of entrapment, greater regulation of police practices and the production of evidence of public annoyance in cases alleging persistent soliciting or public indecency.

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3.5	Policing	Police & renewal of club licences	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 1981 Minutes – Local Government (Miscellaneous Provisions) Bill. • Police objections to renewal of Huddersfield Gemini club’s licence. • Draft amendment to Local Government (provisions) Bill plus letters to Bill Pitt, David Alton MP & Gay News.³ • 1982 Minutes. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 12 1981 • March 1981 • February 1982 • 1, 2 1982
3.6	Policing	Police and Criminal Evidence Bill [See also Box 10 for detailed papers on CHE’s campaigns on the Police and Criminal Evidence Bill, and transcripts of the Law Reform Committee Minutes and related documents in the index to Box 10]	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 1982 Minutes. • Proposed amendments. • 1983 Minutes. • CHE Executive Committee Minutes 19 November 1983. • 1984 Minutes. • Meeting at Office with Douglas Hurd, Home Office minister: Schedule 5 of Police Bill – concern at inclusion of “indecent assault involving gross indecency” as a serious arrestable offence. • CHE 1984 annual conference – report of the Law Reform Workshop. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 12 1982 • December 1982 • 1, 2, 3, 4, 7, 9, 10, 11, 12 1983 • December 1983 • 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 9, 10, 11 84 • July 1984 • September 1984
3.7	Policing	Entrapment [See also Box 10 for detailed papers on CHE’s campaigns on the Police and Criminal Evidence Bill, and transcripts	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 1984 Minutes. • 1984 Minutes - Keith Hampson trial. • The trial of Keith Hampson MP for indecently assaulting a policeman – press cuttings & CHE fact sheet. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 7, 9, 10 1984 • 11 1984 • October 1984

³ The CHE amendment proposed that the police be required to obtain a warrant by a justice of the peace before entering premises to check on licence conditions being met – as such checks were often used as excuse for raiding gay clubs.

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		of the Law Reform Committee Minutes and related documents in the index to Box 10]	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Meeting at Office with Douglas Hurd, Home Office minister: Entrapment/revision of Metropolitan Police force orders. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> July 1984
3.8	Policing	Cautioning	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1984 Minutes. Meeting at Office with Douglas Hurd, Home Office minister: Home Office/Police report on cautioning. 1985 Minutes. Draft comments on the Home Office document on cautioning & the document itself. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 12 1984 July 1984 1, 2, 3, 4, 9 1985 January 1985
3.9	Policing	Insulting behaviour	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1986 minutes: Charges under the Public Order legislation for e.g. same-sex couple kissing. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 5, 7, 9 1986
3.91	Policing	Right of silence	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1988 Minutes. Draft submission to the Home Office on the Right of Silence. 1989 Minutes. Comments on the report of the Working Group on the Right of Silence. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 10 1988 Oct/Nov 1988 12 1989 December 1989
3.92	Policing	Police raid on Clone Zone	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1986 Minutes. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1, 2 1986
3.93	Policing	Police raids on Vauxhall Tavern	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1987 Minutes. The Vauxhall 11 – letter from Bob McLennan MP saying he would take this up with the Attorney General; + letter of 16 June with a reply from the Attorney General. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 2, 3 1987 March 1987
3.94	Policing	Police raids on gay video owners	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1988 Minutes. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 6, 11 1988
4	Public Order Laws	Public Order Act - Comments on Review of the Public Order Act 1936	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1980 Minutes – CHE memorandum. Draft memorandum plus amendments Minutes of CHE June 1980 Executive Committee meeting. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 7 1980 June 1980 June 1980

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		(the exercise of right to freedom of assembly)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> CHE memorandum itself. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> July 1980
4.1	Public Order Laws	Law Commission proposals on Offences against Public Order	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1982 Minutes: LRC comments on Law Commission proposals (which addressed common law offences of affray, riot, rout & unlawful assembly) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 9 1982
4.2	Public Order Laws	White Paper on the Review of Public Order Law & related Public Order bill (covered abolition of common law public order offences, controls on marches and processions, static demonstrations and meetings, & other matters).	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1985 Minutes. Comments on White Paper on the Review of Public Order Law + summary of White Paper proposals. CHE Executive Committee – Minutes of meeting on 16 November 1985. CHE campaign leaflet regarding public order bill. 1986 Minutes. Correspondence – Iain Buist, David Mellor MP, Home Office, re Public Order Bill. Minutes of CHE Executive Committee meeting on 16 March 1986. Report of prosecution for insulting behaviour (The Times) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 6, 7, 12 1985 July 1985 November 1985 December 1985 1, 2, 3, 5, 6, 7, 9, 10, 11 1986 March 1986 March 1986 April 1986
5.1	Judiciary & magistrates	Judicial attitudes – derogatory comments	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1981 Minutes. Correspondence re offensive comments by magistrate. Lord Chief Justice’s Darwin Lecture – derogatory comments 1987 Minutes. Transcript of sentencing statement by Judge with extreme attack on the gay community. Reply from Lord Chancellor’s office to complaint about a judge’s discriminatory comments. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 9 1981 October 1981 January 1984 2, 3, 5, 6 1987 February 1987 June 1987

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5.2	Judiciary & magistrates	Binding over - used by magistrates in discriminatory fashion	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Correspondence with Richmond Magistrates’ Court in relation to use of ‘binding over’ procedure against men arrested in public lavatories. • 1988 Minutes. • Submission to Law Commission on binding over. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • July 1984 • 2 1988 • February 1988
6	Discrimination	Employment generally, including Sex Discrimination Act amendment	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 1978 Minutes: Sex Discrimination Act (Amendment) Bill – 10-minute rule Bill. • 1979 Minutes. • Letter to Chairman of the Equal Opportunities Commission. • Letter by Peter Mitchell to George Morton MP requesting tabling of Amendment to Sex Discrimination Act. • 1980 Minutes. • Sex Discrimination (Amendment) Bill (presumed to be Francis Bennion version). • 1981 Minutes. • Note from Nick Billingham on how to approach SDA amendment + draft letter to MPs proposing amendment to SDA (19/11/81). • 1982 Minutes. • 1983 Minutes (October minute includes first draft amendment to the Jo Richardson Bill). • CHE Executive Committee meeting Minutes – 16 October 1983 (Jo Richardson sex equality bill). 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 2, 3, 5, 8, 9 1978 • 1, 3, 4, 5, 6, 8, 10 79 • June 1979 • October 1979 • 2, 3, 4, 6, 12 1980 • February 1980 • 1, 2, 5, 10, 12 1981 • December 1981 • 1, 2, 3, 4, 6, 7, 9, 10, 11, 12 1982 • 1, 2, 3, 4, 6, 7, 9, 10, 11, 12 1983 • October 1983

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			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Jo Richardson’s Sex Equality Bill (10-minute rule Bill) – amendments, correspondence with MPs, Hansard record of debate. • CHE Executive Committee Minutes 19 November 1983 (Jo Richardson Sex Equality Bill). • 1984 Minutes (Thatcher’s opposition to Sex Equality Bill – on the grounds that the law would not be effective - see exact quote of her statement in record of MPs views in Gay Lobby archive). • 1984 Minutes • 1985 Minutes • CHE Executive Committee – Minutes of meeting on 16 November 1985 (Sex Discrimination Act - EEC related amendment). 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • December 1983 • December 1983 • 1 1984 • 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 9, 10, 11, 12 1984 • 1, 2, 11, 12 1985 • November 1985
6.1	Discrimination	Employment – John Saunders case (also separate folder in CHE General Archive, Box 4)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 1980 Minutes: John Saunders case. • Minutes of CHE June 1980 Executive Committee meeting. • CHE July Broadsheet – lobbying campaign around the Saunders Case. • CHE broadsheet for August 1980 – report of meeting at House of Commons. • 1981 Minutes. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 5, 6 1980 • June 1980 • July 1980 • October 1980 • 4 1981
6.2	Discrimination	Employment – gay magistrates	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 1980 Minutes. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 1, 2 1980
6.3	Discrimination	Employment – EEC Directive on equal treatment	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Correspondence with Christopher Price MP re Parliamentary Question on whether the EEC Council Directive on equal treatment applied to homosexuals, plus Written reply to PQ. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • November 1980

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6.4	Discrimination	Employment – discrimination cases	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Correspondence with Matthew Parris MP about discrimination cases. 1981 Minutes. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> September 1981 7, 9 1981
6.5	Discrimination	Employment – Rugby Council ban	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1984 Minutes. Press reports on Rugby Council ban on employment of gay people. 1985 Minutes. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 11, 12 1984 December 1984 1, 2 1985
6.6	Discrimination	Employment – Foreign Office ban	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1986 Minutes. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 5, 7 1986
6.7	Discrimination	Employment - Security vetting procedures - Security Commission	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1981 Minutes. 1982 Minutes (Trestail affair). 1983 Minutes. 1985 Minutes. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 10 1981 1, 6, 7, 9, 11 1982 4, 7 1983 4 1985
6.8	Discrimination	British Nationality Bill - non-discrimination on grounds of sexual orientation	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1981 Minutes (assurance from Home Secretary that not needed). Correspondence with George Morton MP on sexual orientation being included in non-discrimination clause. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 6 1981 June 1981
6.9	Discrimination	Immigration	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1988 Minutes – refusal of entry of individuals on basis of sexual orientation (Christopher Wong case). 1989 Minutes. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1, 8, 12 1988 2, 3, 4, 6, 1989
7.1	Freedom of expression	Home Office Committee on Obscenity and Film Censorship (Williams Committee)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1978 Minutes. 1980 Minutes. CHE Comments on the Report; and those of Gay Christian Movement. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 9 1978 7 1980 July 1980
7.2	Freedom of expression	Advertising ban	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Press reports of ban on advertising on Channel 4 1983 Minutes – Channel 4 advertising ban 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> January 1983 1, 3 1983

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7.3	Freedom of expression	Video Recordings Bill	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Video Recordings Bill + letter from Matthew Parris MP enclosing report of the Standing Committee proceedings. • 1984 Minutes 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • March 1984 • 2, 3, 4, 5 1984
7.4	Freedom of expression	Gays the Word customs raid	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 1984 Minutes • Gay’s the Word raid: Bundle of papers: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ The original charges against the directors + schedule of charges altered since committal dated 3/6/86; ○ Emergency motion tabled by CHE at NCCL AGM – 12 April 1984; ○ Correspondence with Frank Dobson MP (15/4 & 13/6 1984); ○ Letter from Chairman of HM Customs and Excise dated 9 May 1984; ○ Explanation provided by Customs and Excise (undated); ○ Letter from HM Customs and Excise with attachment setting out their enforcement powers (11 July 1984); ○ Letter from the chairman of HM Customs and Excise dated 30 November 1984; ○ A copy of a letter from the IGA annual conference in Helsinki (9/14 July 1984) to the Chancellor of Exchequer + copy of model letter for IGA members to send to the British authorities; ○ Bill to amend the Customs Consolidation law tabled by Chris Smith et al together with Commons debate on the amendment (2 July 1986). • Letter from Frank Dobson MP on Gay’s the Word. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 4, 5, 7, 9, 10, 11, 12 84 • April 1984 • May 1984

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			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Reply to PQ on Gay’s the Work bookshop by Simon Hughes MP. • PQs on Gays the Word by Chris Smith and Simon Hughes • 1985 Minutes (including actions by IGA) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • June 1984 • July 1984 • 1, 2, 3, 9 1985
8	Data protection	Data Protection (Lindop) Report	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • CHE draft submission to Data Protection Committee⁴ • 1979 Minutes 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • May 1979 • 5 1979
9.1	Prisoners’ rights	Access to gay befriending & counselling services	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Correspondence with Director General of the Prison Service 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • August 1978
9.2	Prisoners’ rights	Parole for homosexual prisoners	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 1982 Minutes • 1983 Minutes • 1984 Minutes • 1985 Minutes • 1987 Minutes - Carlisle Committee report • Draft submission to the Carlisle Committee review of Parole • 1988 Minutes – Carlisle report 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 10, 12 1982 • 2 1983 • 3, 4 1984 • 1, 9 1985 • 11 1987 • November 1987 • 12 1988
10	Same-sex couples – rights	General recognition [see also PACE folder, Box 10, for letter from David Waddington concerning meeting of 15 April 1983]	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 1978 Minutes • 1979 Minutes • Letter to Lord Chancellor re initiating study of the law and gay relationships • 1982 Minutes • 1983 Minutes • 1984 Minutes (request to Law Commission to look into and reply) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 6, 8, 9, 10, 11, 1978 • 1, 3 1979 • January 1979 • 1 1982 • 3, 4, 8, 9 1983 • 1, 3, 4 1984

⁴ The submission pointed to risks of police, employers, financial organisations, local government, holding information on a person’s sexual orientation, and called for Code of Practice to ensure respect for privacy.

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10.1	Same-sex couples – rights	Royal Commission on Civil Liability and Compensation for Personal Injury (Pearson committee)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 1978 Minutes • Proposal to Committee that homosexual partners be recognised for personal injury compensation; • 1979 Minutes 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 4, 5, 1978 • August 1978 • 4, 5 1979
10.2	Same-sex couples – rights	Rights of dependents for damages in case of fatal accidents – follow-up to Pearson committee report	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 1982 Minutes: Administration of Justice Bill • Administration of Justice Bill – copies of Committee & Lords debate on amendments • Hansard reports on debates on Administration of Justice Bill 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 3, 4, 6, 7, 9, 11 1982 • June 1982 • 6, 8 July 1982
10.3	Same-sex couples – rights	Rights of cohabittees – 1980 Housing Bill [see also Box 6 containing folder with additional material on Housing Bill]	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 1980 Minutes: Housing bill 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 2, 3, 6 1980
10.4	Same-sex couples – rights	Rights of cohabittees – the Mary Simpson case on tenancy succession rights	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Newspaper article on the Mary Simpson case (tenancy) • 1984 Minutes • 1985 Minutes. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • September 1984 • 9, 10, 11, 12 1984 • 3, 5, 9 1985
10.5	Same-sex couples – rights	Definition of “nearest relative” for purposes of Mental Health Act	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mental Health Bill – correspondence with Christopher Price MP & copy of the Act. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • July 1982
10.6	Same-sex couples – rights	Immigration rights of bi-national same-sex couples [See also Box 11 for the Decision of the European Commission of Human Rights	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 1978 Minutes • Motion at 1978 conference • 1979 Minutes • 1980 Minutes: Immigration rules – letter to Home Office and Commons debate • 1983 Minutes 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 9, 11 1978 • September 1978 • 1, 12 1979 • 1, 2, 3, 1980 • 3, 4, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 12 1983

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		in the X and Y v. UK same-sex couple immigration case]	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Times law report making clear that homosexual relations outside the immigration rules. • Briefing for March Executive Committee meeting (“regret” of judge rejecting residence application in gay immigration case). • 1984 Minutes • 1985 Minutes • 1986 Minutes • Immigration Appeal Tribunal papers relating to foreign gay lover allowed to remain on compassionate grounds. • 1988 Minutes. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • February 1984 • March 1984 • 2, 3, 5, 12 1984 • 1, 7 1985 • 3, 4, 1986 • June 1988 • 6 1988
10.7	Same-sex couples – rights	Recognition of same-sex partners as “next-of-kin” for hospital visit purposes	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Correspondence with Margaret Thatcher concerning recognition of same-sex partners as “next-of-kin”. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • May 1985
11	Parenting	Artificial Insemination by Donor	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 1981 Minutes • Comments on Law Commission Working paper on illegitimacy • 1982 Minutes • Draft submission to the Warnock Committee • 1984 Minutes • 1985 Minutes • Comments on the Warnock report • 1989 Minutes - Human Fertilisation and Embryology Bill 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 4, 5, 6 1981 • June 1981 • 4, 10, 11 1982 • August 1983 • 9 1984 • 1, 2, 1985 • January 1985 • 12 1989
12	Education	DES draft circular “Sex Education at School”	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • CHE comments on DES draft circular “Sex Education at School” (prepared by Tim Bolton-Maggs, Tyneside group) • 1986 Minutes 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • November 1986 • 11 1986
13	Charity law	Charity law	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 1980 Minutes 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 12 1980

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			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Bundle of correspondence from May 78 to March 79 provided by Antony Grey including May 78 Charity Commissioners’ letter on Gay Sweatshop. • 1982 Minutes • Trust deed of the Gay Educational and Research Trust • 1983 Minutes • 1984 Minutes • 1985 Minutes • 1986 Minutes • 1987 Minutes • 1988 Minutes 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • December 1980 • 1, 2, 3, 6, 7, 10, 11, 12 1982 • October 1982 • 1, 2, 3, 6, 7, 8, 10, 12 1983 • 1, 2, 3, 6, 7, 9, 10, 12 1984 • 3, 5, 6, 7, 11 1985 • 1, 4, 5, 6, 7, 9, 12 1986 • 3 1987 • 6 1988
14	Religion	Blasphemy law reform	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 1981 Minutes: Response to Law Commission working paper • 1982 Minutes 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 12 1981 • 6, 7 1982
15	Health	AIDS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 1984 Minutes • Draft PQ for Terry Davis MP, on AIDS [it seems never tabled] • PQ on AIDS by Alf Morris MP • 1985 Minutes • Letter regarding Public Health (Infectious Diseases) regulations. • 1986 Minutes • 1987 Minutes – AIDS & life insurance • Letter from Association of British Insurers re AIDS and Life insurance • 1987 Minutes – AIDS/employment discrimination 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 2, 3, 4, 5 1984 • March 1984 • May 1984 • 3, 4, 5, 12 1985 • April 1985 • 1, 6, 12 1986 • 2, 3 1987 • February 1987 • 9, 11 1987

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			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 1988 Minutes - AIDS monitoring • Draft response to the Report of the Working Group on the Monitoring and Surveillance of HIV infection and AIDS • Text of (unsuccessful) Amendment to Employment Bill to outlaw discrimination against people with HIV/AIDS + related correspondence. • 1989 Minutes – employment bill amendment 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 8 1988 • August 1988 • March 1989 • 1, 3, 4, 6 1989
16.1	Local government	Local government grants	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Submission on local government grants (Widdicombe Committee). • 1985 Minutes. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • May 1985 • 4, 5 1985
16.2	Local government	Discriminatory use of bye laws	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 1988 Minutes 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 6 1988
17	Section 28	Sex Education Bill (Halsbury) Local Government Bill	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 1986 Minutes • 1987 Minutes • Hansard report of the debate on the Local Government Act 1986 (Amendment) Bill – second reading on 18 December 1986. • 1987 Minutes (Local Government Bill – Widdicombe Recommendations on local authority "propaganda") • House of Lords debate – Local Government Act 1986 (Amendment) Bill – second reading (Halsbury Bill). • Hansard – Committee stage of Local Government Act 1986 (Amendment) Bill debate in committee. • 1988 Minutes: Local Government Bill, Halsbury Bill 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 12 1986 • 2, 3, 5 1987 • December 1986 • 9, 11 1987 • February 1987 • September 1987 • 1 1988

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			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Press reports for House of Commons debates on the local government Bill on 15 December 1987; and other press reports related to section 28. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> January 1988
18.1	Miscellaneous	Jeremy Thorpe case	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Proposals for action Minutes 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> October 1978 10 1978
18.2	Miscellaneous	PIE trial [see PACE folder, Box 10, for letter from David Waddington concerning meeting of 15 April 1983 and law on conspiracy to corrupt public morals]	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Suggested guidelines for CHE local and national reaction – Harry Coen – 22/11/80. Briefing paper on the PIE trial. 1982 Minutes 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> December 1980 December 1980 10 1982
18.3	Miscellaneous	European Convention on Human Rights – Right of individual petition by UK citizens	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Draft paper on renewal of the right of individual petition under the ECHR 1980 Minutes 1985 Minutes 1987 Minutes 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> May 1980 5 1980 10, 11 1985 9 1987
19.1	Political/ parliamentary developments	1979 general election [see also Gay Lobby folder 1 – Box 12]	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> CHE Broadsheet – Gay Lobby pre-election article providing statistics of MPs attitudes to gay rights. 1979 Minutes 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> March 1979 4 1979
19.2	Political/ parliamentary developments	1983 general election [see also Gay Lobby file – Box 12]	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> CHE press release on survey of attitudes of candidates in general election 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> July 1983
19.3	Political/ parliamentary developments	1987 general election	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1987 Minutes – general election questionnaire 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 3 1987
19.4	Political/	Parliamentary all-party group	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1978 Minutes: plans for 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 9, 10 1978

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	parliamentary developments		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 1979 Minutes: discussed • 1980 Minutes: discussed 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 6, 7, 8, 9, 10 1979 • 1, 3 1980
19.5	Political/ parliamentary developments	Civil Liberties group of MPs	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Note of meeting with Parliamentary Civil Liberties Group on PAC working paper on age of consent • 1980 Minutes 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • February 1980 • 1, 2 1980
19.6	Political/ parliamentary developments	Joint Council for Gay Teenagers meeting at the House of Commons	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Correspondence on Gay Teenage Group meeting • 1980 Minutes • Letter from Joint Council on arrangements for meeting and list of follow-up actions to the meeting 	<p>June 1980 7 1980</p> <p>July 1980</p>
19.7	Political/ parliamentary developments	Meeting with MPs at House of Commons	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Note of meeting with CHE honorary vice president MPs (David Alton, Martin Stevens etc) 13 May 1981 + letter to Martin Stevens giving details of attitudes of Conservative MPs (16 May 1981) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • May 1981
19.8	Political/ parliamentary developments	House of Commons meeting	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Correspondence with Maureen Colquhoun and Antony Grey • 1984 Minutes: all-party meeting planned 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • June 1983 • 9, 10 1984
19.9	Political/ parliamentary developments	Attitudes of MPs	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Table of data summarising the views of English and Welsh MPs as of summer 1979 • Gay Lobby’s analysis of the views of MPs and the launch of Discrimination and the Gay Minority pamphlet. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • July 1980 • February 1981
20.1	Law reform planning and reporting documents - 1978 – 1986		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 1978 Minutes: Law reform proposals + Preparation of leaflet (“What to say to your MP”). • 1978 Annual Conference – draft law reform workshop report. • Article by Francis Wheen in the New Statesman of 1/9/1978 entitled “Homosexuals unite against Anglo-Saxon attitudes”, highlighting cooperation between LCGR, GayCon and CHE in preparation for the next general election. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 2, 3, 5 1978 • August 1978 • August 1978

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			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Summary of the work of the Law Reform Committee in the year ending 31 August 1979. • Summary of LRC activity from 11/77 – 10/79 • 1980 Minutes: Law Reform Committee plans for the 1980s • 1980 Minutes: All Party Group of MPs regarded as infeasible by Robin Cook MP. • “Discrimination and the gay minority” leaflet • 1980 Minutes: “Discrimination and the gay minority” leaflet • CHE Executive Committee Minutes for July 1980 dealing with law reform issues. • 1980 CHE Annual conference – report of law reform workshop • Letter from Christian Elliott to Jim Halcrow (SHRG) on future progress of law reform work plus a letter on a conference on lobbying. • Draft paper on Law Reform Committee work • CHE Broadsheet for February 1981 with articles on campaign on CLRC working paper on sexual offences and update of Gay Lobby’s analysis of the views of MPs and the launch of Discrimination and the Gay Minority pamphlet • A paper on “some things CHE has done since March national council” • Law Reform Committee contribution to CHE annual report • Report of the 1982 CHE Annual Conference law reform workshop (age of consent, Dudgeon judgement, Council of Europe Parliamentary Assembly recommendation, European Parliament motion on discrimination against homosexuals, Armed Forces, security (Trestrail). 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • August 1979 • December 1979 • 1 1980 • 1, 3 1980. • March 1980 • 3 1980 • July 1980 • August 1980 • October 1980 • October 1980 • February 1981 • June 1981 • June 1982 • September 1982

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			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 1983 Minutes • List of ideas for Law Reform Committee work programme • 1983 conference paper on future campaigning in Parliament • 1983 CHE annual conference – Law reform workshop report (campaigning in a largely unsympathetic Parliament, supporters reducing their commitment; specific topics: police bill, employment, data protection, immigration, the CLRC, charity law, equal treatment in taxation). • 1984 Minutes: Future strategy of Law Reform Committee • 1985 Minutes: Future strategy of Law Reform Committee • 1986 Minutes: Future strategy of Law Reform Committee 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 4, 7, 8 1983 • April 1983 • August 1983 • August 1983 • 5 1984 • 11 1985 • 7, 9, 11, 12 1986
20.2	Law reform plans in the second half of the 80s	<p>The Labour Campaign for Lesbian and Gay Rights draft Bill, the Legislation for Lesbian and Gay Rights Conference, through to the 1989 Draft Equality Bill, with comprehensive law reform proposals covering discrimination in the criminal law, non-discrimination, and family related matters</p> <p>[For the Lesbian and Gay Rights Legislation Conference, see CHE General Archive, Box 4]</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 1985 Minutes – Labour Campaign for Gay Rights Bill • First draft of Labour Campaign for Lesbian and Gay Rights gay rights bill. • 1986 Minutes: seconds draft version of LCLGR draft Bill, and law reform conference • Message from LCLGR on plans for draft rights bill and conference; and letter dated 5 August 86 from Jo Richardson MP to GCM on needs to bring forward proposals for the Labour party conference. • LCLGR manifesto. • 1987 Minutes: Law reform conference • 1987 Minutes: Law Reform bill • 1988 Minutes. • 1989 Minutes: Homosexual Equality Bill • Draft and final versions of the Homosexual Equality Bill + related papers. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 11 1985 • November 1985 • 7, 9, 10, 11 1986 • July 1986 • September 1986 • 3, 6, 9, 10 1987 • 11 1987 • 1,12 1988 • 6, 12 1989 • December 1989

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			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • “Taking centre stage”, Gay Times, July 1990. • “Peter Ashman – quiet campaigner” – David Prosser, Capital Gay, June 5, 1992. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • December 1989 • December 1989
21.1	Political parties	Conservatives	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Conservative Group for Homosexual Equality – Questionnaire for Westminster South by-election, and paper “Homosexuality on the Hustings” by Ian Harvey, in light of Peter Mitchell standing as candidate for homosexual civil rights. • 1984 Minutes: CGHE fringe meeting at Conservative conference • Correspondence between Clifford Hindley and Margaret Thatcher firmly rejecting major extension of homosexual rights – “neither widespread support nor strong case”. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Box 1, folder 1.4 • 10 1984 • November 1985
21.2	Political parties	Labour	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 1980 minutes – NEC paper on lesbian and gay rights • 1985 Minutes: Labour party conference 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 5 1980 • 9 1984

CHE Law Reform Committee work on the IGA/ILGA

This index reflects international activities, from the perspective of actions/reflections made within the framework of the CHE Law Reform Committee. For a more comprehensive view of IGA/ILGA, see the separate IGA/ILGA archive.

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1.1	IGA	IGA	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 1978 Minutes: European Gay Groups meeting proposed by COC & agenda for the meeting at CHE Coventry annual conference, founding of IGA, initial decisions at Coventry • Background paper on “Approaching the European Institutions”. • Press release on the occasion of the founding of IGA at CHE Coventry conference, and proposals for political action from the August 1978 meeting. • 1979 Minutes: The IGA and Council of Europe consultative status • 1979 Minutes: IGA meetings in the Netherlands at Easter and at CHE conference in Brighton • 1979 Minutes: CHE IGA actions • 1979 Minutes: no name change to include “lesbian” • 1979 Minutes: IGA and UN consultative status • “Gays and Human Rights: UK Obligations” • List of IGA Actions • Report of meeting with Gay Activists Alliance on IGA work • 1980 Minutes: IGA Barcelona conference (issues included Cyprus criminalisation, US immigration rules, Soviet laws) • 1980 Minutes: paper on structure of IGA • 1980 Minutes: UN consultative status and the IGA • 1980 Minutes: IGA Ghent meeting and numerous follow-up actions 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 2, 3, 4, 5, 9 1978 • August 1978 • September 1978 • 2, 3 1979 • 2, 3, 5, 6, 8 1979 • 6, 7, 8, 10 1979 • 8 1979 • 1 1979 • May 1979 • June 1979 • December 1979 • 3, 4 1980 • 11 1980 • 7 1980 • 7, 8, 1980

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			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 1980 Minutes: IGA name – proposal to include “lesbian” • 1980 Minutes: IGA women’s meeting in Amsterdam • List of actions requested of CHE following second annual IGA conference. • 1981 Minutes: IGA Constitution • 1981 Minutes: IGA Homosexual Prisoners Agency • 1981 Minutes: IGA women’s meeting in Amsterdam • 1981 Minutes: IGA Universal Declaration of Lesbian & Gay Rights • Discussion document on expanding the activities of the IGA by Trevor Percy and Barry Prothero. • Report of CHE IGA activities dated 27/5/81+ IGA conference workshop report on political actions • 1982 Minutes: IGA consultative status with UN ECOSOC • 1982 Minutes: IGA Information Secretariat • 1982 Minutes: IGA European regional meeting – Strasbourg • 1982 Minutes: IGA European regional meeting – Edinburgh • 1982 Minutes: IGA Universal Declaration of Lesbian & Gay Rights • 1982 Minutes: IGA world conference – Washington • 1982 Minutes: Islam and homosexuality research • 1983 Minutes: Islam and homosexuality 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 3 1980 • 11, 12, 1980 • April 1980 • 1 1981 • 6, 7, 9 1981 • 1 1981 • 10 1981 • January 1981 • May 1981 • 2 1982 • 2 1982 • 4 1982 • 11 1982 • 4, 6 1982 • 7 1982 • 12 1982 • 2 1983
1.2	IGA	International protests	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 1978 Minutes: Greece – protests over STD law • 1978 Minutes: proposed demonstration against Article 121 of the Soviet Criminal Code • 1979 Minutes: Brazil/gay magazine Lampiao • 1979 Minutes: Soviet Union – Article 121 of criminal code • Letter from Iris Murdoch regarding the Amphi case (Greece) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 10 1978 • 11 1978 • 3, 5 1979 • 2, 8, 12 1979 • July 1980

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			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 1980 Minutes: IGA protest letters (Austria, Cyprus, Greece) • 1981 Minutes: US immigration laws – ban on gays • 1981 Minutes: IGA actions - Cyprus (1, 2), Amphi, STD laws/Greece (1, 2, 3), Eliane Morissens case/Belgium (3, 9), Toronto raids/Canada (3, 4), New Zealand (6), Spain (6), Denmark (9). • 1982 Minutes: Action against Bishop of Strasbourg following cancellation of use of church facilities for IGA conference • 1982 Minutes: IGA actions - Body Politic Toronto police raid and prosecution • 1983 Minutes: Body Politic case 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 11, 12 1980 • 5, 6, 7, 9 1981 • 4 1982 • 6, 7, 9, 10 1982 • 1, 2 1983
1.3	IGA	Gay Association of South Africa (GASA)/Simon Nkoli	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 1982 Minutes (GASA) • 1985 Minutes: Simon Nkoli • 1986 Minutes: Simon Nkoli case 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 10 1982 • 9, 10, 1985 • 1, 3, 4 1986
2.1	Council of Europe	Decriminalisation [See also Box 11 of the ILGA Archive for detailed papers relating to Council of Europe activities and Box 11 of this archive for papers relating to ECtHR cases against the UK]	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 1978 Minutes: Council of Europe committee (the Select Committee of Legal Experts of the Council of Europe – the Hulsman Committee) considering homosexuality from the standpoint of decriminalisation. • 1979 Minutes • 1980 Minutes • 1980 Minutes: Council of Europe conference on Law and Sexuality • 1982 Minutes: Council of Europe 15th criminological research conference 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 6, 10, 11 1978 • 2, 7, 11, 12 1979 • 1, 4 1980 • 3 1980 • 4, 10, 11 1982
2.2		Extension of the European Convention on Human Rights to cover sexual orientation	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 1978 Minutes • 1979 Minutes • 1980 Minutes 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 9, 10, 11 1978 • 2, 3, 1979 • 5, 6 1980

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		Council of Europe [See also Box 11 of the ILGA Archive for detailed papers relating to Council of Europe activities]		
2.3	Council of Europe	Parliamentary Assembly resolution on discrimination against homosexuals [See Box 11 of the ILGA Archive for detailed papers relating to Council of Europe activities]	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Peter Campbell correspondence with MPs & Times • FCO response to Council of Europe Parliamentary Assembly recommendation • 1982 Minutes: Council of Europe Parliamentary Assembly Recommendation 924 • Letter to the Chairman of the CLRC on Council of Europe PACE 1981 resolution and European Parliament 1984 (Squarcialupi) resolution • PQ on Council of Europe Parliamentary Assembly’s Recommendation on Discrimination against homosexuals; & reply dated 22 March 1984. • Draft of PQs on Council of Europe Parliamentary assembly recommendation and discrimination against homosexuals, together with replies to the questions put by Tom Cox MP. • 1984 Minutes • PQs on employment, and the PACE recommendation 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • October 1981 • June 1982 • 4, 6 1982 • March 1984 • May 1984 • July 1984 • 5, 6, 7 1984 • February 1985
3.1	European institutions	Guide to the European institutions	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 1978 Minutes: The European Institutions – notes on approaching • Paper entitled “Approaching the European Institutions” 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 8 1978 • August 1978
3.2	EEC/EU	European Parliament Elections	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 1978 Minutes: European Parliament elections – questionnaire • 1979 Minutes: questionnaire to candidates 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 11 1978 • 1, 2, 5, 8, 10 1979

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		[see also Box 12 of the ILGA Archive for detailed papers]	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 1983 Minutes • Briefing for March 1984 Executive Committee meeting (plans for 1984 European Parliament elections) • 1989 Minutes 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 12 1983 • March 1984 • 1, 2, 6 1989
3.3	EEC/EU	Employment	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Proposal for an IGA campaign to have the Council Directive 76/207/EEC cover sexual orientation discrimination. • Correspondence with Christopher Price MP re Parliamentary Question on whether the EEC Council Directive on equal treatment applied to homosexuals + written reply to PQ. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • August 1979 • November 1980
3.4	EEC/EU	EP motion for a resolution on employment protection [see also Box 12 of the ILGA Archive for detailed papers]	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 1982 Minutes: EEC Parliament resolution calling for equal treatment in employment (Eliane Morissens case) • Draft resolution dated 1 June 1982 • 1983 Minutes: EEC Parliament draft resolution calling for equal treatment in employment (Eliane Morissens) (2, 3); • 1983 Minutes: EEC Parliament – report and resolution on employment (Squarcialupi report) • Letter submitting evidence of discrimination to the Chair of the Committee on Social Affairs and Employment of the EP. • Briefing for March 1984 Executive Committee meeting (debate on EP Squarcialupi resolution). • 1984 Minutes: European Parliament Report and Resolution (Squarcialupi report). • Letter to John Smith MP proposing PQ on EP resolution on employment. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 4, 5, 6, 7, 9, 10, 11 1982 • June 1982 • 2, 3 1983 • 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 12 1983 • August 1983 • March 1984 • 1, 2, 3, 4, 5 1984 • November 1985
3.5	EEC/EU	Charter for the European Citizen	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 1989 Minutes 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 2, 4 1989
3.6	EEC/EU	EEC Social Charter	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 1989 Minutes 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 12 1989

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4	Conference on Security and Cooperation in Europe	Helsinki Final Act	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 1980 Minutes: Letter to Lord Carrington, Foreign Minister • 1981 Minutes 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 10, 11, 12, 1980 • 1 1981
5.1	UN	Human rights bodies and obligations	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Paper entitled “The UN Human Rights Bodies” • 1979 Minutes 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • May 1979 • 5 1979
5.2	UN	Proposed international anti-discrimination convention	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Draft International Convention on the elimination of all forms of discrimination based on sexual orientation plus “why do we need an international convention on gay rights” prepared for CHE 1980 York conference. • 1980 Minutes – proposed International Convention 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • May 1980 • 4, 5, 6 1980
5.3	UN	Subcommittee on Human Rights	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 1979 Minutes • 1982 Minutes 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 1 1979 • 10 1982
6	WHO	Revision to International Classification of Diseases	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 1978 Minutes • 1979 Minutes • 1980 Minutes • 1981 Minutes • Letter to Minister of Health on UK government position on WHO classification • 1982 Minutes • Correspondence with Health Minister, Dr Gerard Vaughan • 1983 Minutes • Letter from BMA supporting Council of Europe Parliamentary Assembly recommendation on homosexuality not being a disease • Letter from Office of Population Censuses and Surveys regarding the revision of the WHO ICD • Letter from the Royal College of Psychiatrists 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 9, 11 1978 • 12 1979 • 1, 7 1980 • 6, 9 1981 • December 1981 • 1, 2, 3, 7 1982 • February 1982 • 2, 4, 8, 9, 10, 12 1983 • December 1983 • December 1983 • February 1984

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			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 1984 Minutes • 1985 Minutes 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 2, 4, 9, 10 1984 • 1 1985
7	Amnesty International	<p>Refusal to acknowledge lesbians and gays imprisoned on grounds of their sexual orientation as prisoners of conscience.</p> <p>[See also the ILGA Archive – Box 3, item 3.4]</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 1978 Minutes • 1979 Minutes • Letter from Director of Amnesty International setting out their position (dated 26 June 1980) and letter from Andrew Cheseldine following the meeting (4/11/1980). • 1980 Minutes • 1981 Minutes • 1982 Minutes • 1983 Minutes 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 11 1978 • 1, 2 1979 • October 1980 • 10, 11, 12 1980 • 1, 3 1981 • 4, 7, 10 1982 • 2, 4, 1983