



Personal Statement to seek nomination to Labour's NEC as a CLP representative. Alexa Collins – Beaconsfield CLP

These are challenging times and our party must be supported by an NEC that guides us with consistent and effective management. Our NEC needs individuals with a clear, balanced approach to provide core support to our Party, to our staff and to our membership. I will provide that approach.

I live deep in the Tory heartlands. Over the last 5 years we have been changing hearts and minds, yet areas like mine, which are more rural or suburban have little or no representation within Labour Party processes. If we are to change hearts and minds into votes and credibility, it is essential to have people at the table to represent and support the thousands of members in these areas and bring about real change.

Further democratisation of the Labour Party is required and although much work has been done in this area, the rapid growth of our Party and the difficult issues that have been faced have at times overwhelmed our systems. The result has been a hugely negative media narrative over the last few years.

The recent General Election, in which I stood as Beaconsfield's Parliamentary Candidate, has shown that it's time to re-group and seriously examine our process and systems to ensure maximum effectiveness. I have the skills and experience to make a significant contribution to this effort.

Labour Party Experience

- Beaconsfield 2019 General Election Candidate
- Beaconsfield CLP Secretary
- Bucks Labour Chair (which is our LCF) across 5 constituencies;
- I have attended 5 Labour Conferences, twice as a delegate
- Policy submissions to the National Policy Forum
- At the last conference
 - I made several interventions on procedural issues
 - Brought about a change in Union policy to support policy submissions from CLPS
- Election Agent

Career and personal experience

My background has been in IT/Finance delivering systems into central and local government, including HM Treasury and The Scottish Office many councils and public bodies throughout the UK. I have also delivered finance systems into central and local banks in Africa and USA. I also ran my own business, built my own home and ran a business delivering large scale community music events.

Currently I work in local government as a Town Clerk, where I bring my wealth of experience and governance into a framework where I am able to make a contribution back to my local community.

I am a member of Unison and of the ALCC Union. I am an education campaigner, working with www.ComprehensiveFuture.org.uk to end selection and the 11+.

Please support my application to be a CLP representative on the NEC.

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