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Dear Member,

In the upcoming weeks local members will choose our Labour Party candidate and hopefully next MP for Blackpool North and Cleveleys. I want to share with you why I'm standing in this selection.

I'm Blackpool born and bred. Born in Victoria Hospital, attended Christ The King nursery, went to Layton Primary School, St Mary's High School and St Mary's 6th Form.

I've campaigned in Blackpool, Cleveleys and right across the UK for the Labour Party and trade union movement for over 20 years and was the Labour Party Organiser in Blackpool North and Cleveleys in 2010.

I've worked right across Blackpool & Cleveleys, my first job was as a paper boy in Layton and Grange Park. I've had experience working on the seafront and town centre cafés, restaurants and pubs. I've worked for the Department of Work and Pensions at Warbreck House and I've worked as a constituency and parliamentary assistant for Gordon Marsden MP. For the last four years I've worked as an organiser for the North West Labour Party.

Unlike Paul Maynard and David Cameron's out-of-touch Tories, **I understand what worries people in Blackpool North & Cleveleys.** Our young people, our families, our pensioners are struggling to make ends meet in the face of these vicious and unfair Tory cuts. An MP needs to listen to all members of the community and represent their views not just in Parliament but across their constituency and I believe I have the skills and experience to fulfil this role successfully.

My intention is to try and visit every member during this selection process to share ideas of how we can improve our local area, defeat the Tories in 2015 and discuss why I feel I'm the best candidate for Blackpool North and Cleveleys.

If you wish to meet with me or just want to get in touch please do via phone, text, email, facebook or twitter.

If you put your trust me in, I will

Fight for a fairer deal for local people who are struggling against this Tory-led Government's cuts to the NHS and public services and tackle head on the ruthless energy companies who have increased bills over £250 a year giving their profits a multi-billion pound boost.

Stand up for hard-pressed families who are bearing the brunt of this Tory-led Government's cuts to tax credits, child benefit, maternity pay and the bedroom tax totalling on average £891 a year, when they are just trying to get by.

Campaign for local young people who face an uncertain future after a 100% rise in local long-term youth unemployment in the last year, the scrapping of the education maintenance allowance and trebled tuition fees.

Champion pensioners who worry if they will stay warm at winter when the Tories slash their fuel allowance or if they have to sell their homes in retirement to meet the rising costs of private social care.

Campaign to reverse the cuts to police numbers that have fallen to their lowest level for nearly a decade. 541 front line Lancashire officers have been cut since the last General Election and we will have lost more than 800 by 2015, which will have resulted in total cuts of more than £60million.

I'm proud to speak up for the people in my home town and will always put the people of Blackpool and Cleveleys first.

I hope I can count on your support.

Best wishes,

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John Boughton
Layton Ward
Councillor

“ Defeating the Tories in 2015 will be a tough fight, as we’ve seen locally in the recent county council elections.

Blackpool North & Cleveleys needs a local born and bred candidate who has the experience, knowledge, support and track record of defeating the Tories in tough fights and can hit the ground running from day one.

Chris Webb is a candidate who ticks all these boxes and that’s why I’m supporting him to be our next parliamentary candidate.. ”

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Today there is high public distrust in politicians and we need someone like Chris who has firm roots and understanding of his local community and will always fight for local people.

I have no hesitation backing Chris to be our next Labour candidate and I know he would be a great Member of Parliament. ”



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Simon Blackburn
Leader of
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“ I have known Chris for more than a decade. His commitment to both Blackpool & the Labour Party is unrivalled. He has a deep & intuitive understanding of the movement and the town.

Not only will he provide the strong campaigner that we need to unseat Paul Maynard & the Tories, but he also has the tenacity, drive & raw talent that will be needed to advocate for Blackpool North & Cleveleys in Parliament.

I have no hesitation in recommending him to you, and I look forward to working with him, Gordon Marsden, and Ed Miliband under a Labour Government in 2015. ”

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For over the past 15 years I’ve had the good fortune to watch Chris Webb develop and mature and have him as a friend and colleague working alongside me in both my offices in Parliament and Blackpool. I’ve seen how that’s given him a bird’s eye view of national political debate and issues.

I’m proud to give him my support and would be prouder still to see him elected as a Parliamentary colleague serving the people of Blackpool North and Cleveleys under Ed Miliband and a Labour government. ”



Gordon Marsden
Member of Parliament for
Blackpool South

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Gill Campbell
Park Ward
Councillor

“ Blackpool North and Cleveleys is a diverse constituency with some unique issues and challenges away from the glitz and glamour of the seafront. It needs a local candidate and MP who fully understands the different communities and will always fight for a better deal locally and nationally. Chris has the confidence, experience and drive to always be a strong voice for Blackpool and Cleveleys and I know he will never give in when there's work to be done. ”

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Bill Campbell
Chair of Thornton
Cleveleys Branch

“ Chris comes from a strong Trade Union background. His values and principles are at the core of what the labour movement has fought to achieve for generations and what this Tory-led government is trying to undo in one term of parliament. His values of decency, equality, social justice, hard work and a fair deal for all is what we need now more than ever in our local MP and thats why I believe he is the only candidate who can defeat the Tories in 2015. ”

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