

## Stephen Stanners for Labour NEC



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Dear Labour Party member,

I am asking members in constituencies up and down the country to support me in my bid to be on the ballot paper in the upcoming Labour Party NEC elections.

I am proud to be a Labour member, passionate about our values and putting them into practice. Since joining the party in 2009 I've been an avid campaigner, and have held a variety of roles, including Youth Officer, Vice Chair, Press Officer, and for the last five years I have worked to get Labour in power as Campaign Coordinator for Blyth Valley CLP. As a grassroots member I see how our party works on the ground, what needs changing, what works well, and how we can engage members in the party and campaigning.

Since Jeremy Corbyn became leader we have seen an influx of new members, and a new generation inspired to think big, be radical, and to believe there is a better way. Together we made huge strides in the snap General Election last year, snatching away the Tories' majority and defying the expectations of the establishment. I know that going forward we can build on that success, electing a Jeremy led Labour government which will end austerity, take on vested interests, and transform Britain for the many. Across the country Labour councillors, candidates, members and volunteers are taking the fight to the Tories in their communities; I want to be on the NEC to make sure they're equipped with what they need to put Jeremy Corbyn into Number 10!

I'm standing for the NEC independently, away from slates, because I want to be held accountable to the majority of our members instead of just one wing of our party. If elected I will work with everyone in our movement to make sure the decisions I make are based on what is right for the Labour Party and its membership.

For these NEC elections to be truly democratic they need voices from across our party, and across the country, to take part. I am not asking for you to commit to voting for me, there will be plenty of time for that during the campaign, I am simply asking to be allowed to stand and I hope I can count on your support.

If you have any questions or if you want to learn more about me and my campaign you can contact me by email or by liking my campaign Facebook page at [www.facebook.com/stanners4nec](http://www.facebook.com/stanners4nec)

Kindest regards

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**Accessibility** – I will be contactable with members and seek your views on issues before the NEC including utilising modern social media platforms to hold live Q&A sessions

**Accountability** - I will keep members up to date with regular written reports informing members of discussions and decisions taken by the NEC.

**Defend the link** - I will always defend Labour's links with our trade union colleagues and work to strengthen them. Our party was built on the back of the trade union movement and they remain a vital part of our party structure.

**Be ready to win** - The next General election could come around any day. I want to make sure our candidates, members, and volunteers are equipped with the right tools and resources needed to get Jeremy into Number 10!

**Everyone Welcome** - Labour is a broad church and everyone who shares our values should feel safe and welcome in our party and valued. I will work to make sure we are a safe place for everyone regardless of gender, race, disability, sexuality, religion, and other discriminatory factors.