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Seeking your support for NPF

Dear CLP secretary,

I am seeking nomination to be a candidate in this summer's elections to the National Policy Forum (NPF). I want to be a dynamic and proactive voice for the Northern Region in the NPF. Below, I set out some of my ideas and priorities and I hope your CLP will consider nominating my candidacy.

Why I'm standing

I am excited by how Jeremy Corbyn has brought new people into the party and energised existing members. However, it was the 2017 General Election that showed us the real power of transforming our principles and ideals into concrete policies that inspired and united people behind Labour's vision. I want Labour's manifesto to live up to the aspirations of its members and be a voice for peace and radical economic transformation for the many, not the few.

The Northern Region and Labour policy

Our region has suffered disproportionately from government attacks on industry, communities and the welfare state in the past 40 years. The Labour Party has an inspiring platform for empowering regions and seeking economic recovery through investment. We need voices from the North making the case for the devolved powers and specific investment projects our region needs.

My priorities

I want to prioritise creating a transformative economic policy that ends the power of finance over our lives. We need to empower regions by linking resources for investment to greater devolved powers. Health, education and housing should exist as rights, not goods mediated by the market beyond public and social control. In foreign policy, we must become a country that unambiguously promotes peace instead of militarism.

I believe there should be a two-way communication between members and the NPF. Policy should evolve through dialogue with NPF reps supporting political education through CLPs.

My experience

I am a teacher and researcher in economic and financial history at Durham University. I want to demystify the economy for party members and help develop Labour's future economic policy. I have been a party member since 2011 and I am a branch chair and political education officer in City of Durham CLP.

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