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Dear CLP Secretary,

I am writing to ask for your CLP's nomination in the upcoming NPF elections.

Young people have led the charge for 21st century socialism in the Labour Party. I am standing to represent them and my beloved region on the NPF. I will always consult with young members on questions of policy and will organise events such as policy discussions with Young Labour officers.



I'm 19 years old, have been in the Labour Party for almost 3 years and I have lived in Bishop Auckland all of my life. I am the former Youth Officer of Bishop Auckland CLP and the current Co-Chair Elect of Oxford University Labour Club. I'm currently writing my undergraduate dissertation on the Durham miners and the Labour Party in the 1920's.

Young people were critical to Labour's gains in 2017. We must present an even better offer to them at the next election to demonstrate that Labour is unequivocally on the side of the young. On the NPF I would like to develop policy in areas that matter to young people such as:

- Reforming the **gig economy**: I have worked as a Deliveroo Rider.
- Tackling exploitation in the private **rental market**, especially exploring the idea of rent caps.
- **Transport**- building on Labour's excellent new bus policy by offering young people affordable fares across public transport and incentives for cycling.

The North has been let down by successive governments. Our region must not be left behind as we rebuild the economy. On the NPF the key issues for me would be:

- Defending the North from a **hard Tory Brexit**- especially with regard to migrants' rights.
- Encouraging **alternative models of ownership** to give workers real workplace democracy and a fair share of the wealth they create.