

Minutes
NCG Meeting
7/8/2021

Participation: Shona Jemphrey, Solma Ahmed, Darran McLaughlin, Barry Gray, Jon Trickett, Andrew Scattergood, Sonali Bhattacharyya, Callum Bell, Carol Turner, John Taylor, Jackie Owen, Alan Gibbons, Liz Smith, Mish Rahman, Rory Maclean, Deborah Hermanns, Ana Oppenheim, Phil Clarke, Matt Buckley, Tony Kearns, Shona Jemphrey, Abbie Clark.

Apologies: Gaya Sriskanthan, Mick Moore, Craig Anderson,

Staff: Chloe, Ollie, Andrew.

1. Apologies/Matters Arising

n/a

2. Co-Chairs Report

AS updated on the political situation, issues with the leadership. AS noted work since the last NCG meeting, noted upcoming items. AS noted upcoming Labour Party Conference activity. Noted progress of the trade union network and the Refounding process. AS and MR noted proscriptions.

3. Officers Report

SB gave an update on OG activities, including office space and the by-election timetable. SB also gave an update on the withdrawal of the Latin Village development.

4. Balance of forces at the CLP level

AD outlined data gathered on 225 CLPs. AD noted the data is showing 40-45% broadly left delegates, in the CLP section. AD noted popularity of Momentum motions passed at CLP, only one that has been identified as not yet put forward is the four-day week motion. AG noted there

are mixes appearing, in terms of left/right balance. DH asked about the sections of Conference aside from the CLP section. AD noted much of the union section will vote with the leadership, though we are in conversation with some unions around specific motions. CT noted issues around climate organising and the 2019 climate target.

5. Membership criteria change

NCG voted to create a new category of subs-payer/participant ('affiliates'/'supporters'/'Momentum allies' - referred to in this paper as 'affiliate supporters'), that can participate in Momentum projects locally and nationally that are not focused on the Labour Party, such as the Momentum Trade Unionists Network or political education events.

Yes: TH, CB, MR, JO, SJ, AO, RM, AG, SB, MB, LS, DH, SA, DM

No: TK

Abstain: BG, CT, JTr, AC, JT,

6. Establishment of a new Growth Group

AD noted engagement with NCG and the staff union about the growth group. AD noted reformation and dedication of PC time to developing this. AS noted support for this process. CB noted that it should be expanded to encompass more types of growth. Vote passed.

Yes: TH, BG, CB, JO, SJ, AO, RM, AG, SB, MB, TK, DH, DM,

No: n/a

Abstain: n/a

7. AOB

AS noted in-person meeting on 4th and 5th of September. DH shared more details.