NCG Role Descriptions

The National Coordinating Group (NCG) is responsible for the political leadership of Momentum. All members should be committed to strengthening the organisation and ensuring its future success in broadening support for a transformative, socialist and anti-racist programme as outlined in Momentum's Constitution. Members are also encouraged to support the continuation and expansion of Momentum as a members association and campaigning force.

As a member of the NCG, you will be responsible for setting the strategic and political direction for Momentum and its staff. Your responsibilities as a member of the NCG will include the following:

Essential

1. Participating in democratic discussion and decision-making to set the strategic and political direction of Momentum. Members should, to the best of their ability, aim to ensure that these decisions benefit the organisation and its members.

2. Regularly attending and actively contributing to NCG and sub-group meetings, including reporting on political developments in your region. Members should aim to make a serious commitment to participate actively in the work of sub-groups, panels and other structures of the NCG as related to their interest, identity, skill sets and experience.

3. Remembering the sensitivity of all NCG's discussions, the media scrutiny the organisation faces, the hostility from political opponents and the consequent need to be discreet and respect the confidentiality of NCG meetings.

4. Staying informed about political matters, recent Labour Party activity and organisational matters, preparing well for meetings, and reviewing and commenting on minutes and reports.

5. Working with and maintaining open lines of communication with Momentum staff and ensuring the successful implementation of organisation's strategic priorities.

6. Ensuring, to the best of its ability, the organisation bases its strategy on socialist principles, a realistic appreciation of the existing and potential capacity of the organisation and the importance of the sustainability of the organisation's finances and resources.

7. Representing the concerns of members, local groups and other constituent actors that comprise Momentum, particularly under-represented groups such as Black, Asian and Minority Ethnic (BAME) people, disabled people, Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual Trans, Queer and Intersex (LGBTQI+) people, women, young people, and working-class people, and ensuring that their concerns are heard on the NCG and built into the strategic development of the organisation.

8. Maintaining regular dialogue with Momentum activists and local groups through regular visits to local groups and reliable email correspondence to identify areas for improvement. NCG members must provide open

channels of accountability to members in their region, union or affiliated group and make explanations for the decisions of the organisation freely available.

9. Aiming to develop and improve Momentum's relationship with other affiliated groups and to strengthen the organisation's relationship with trade unions.

10. Participating in and making such decisions to ensure that Momentum is a financially sustainable organisation at all times and proactively identifying possible resources for the organisation.

Desirable

1. Volunteering for and accepting special assignments which have been collectively agreed by the NCG, appropriate sub-groups or networks, and completing them thoroughly and on time. Members are also encouraged to participate in Momentum events where appropriate.

2. Where necessary and appropriate, being available to sit on panels and work with other NCG representatives and activists to ensure that Momentum supports socialist candidates in parliamentary selections and internal Labour Party elections, in conjunction with the agreed person specifications.

3. Working with regional organisers to ensure the development of the organisation in regions of the UK which have historically suffered from under-investment and austerity and which are of key importance to rebuilding support for the Labour Party and socialist politics.

4. Participating in various working groups within the NCG structure, each of which focus on specific areas of the organisation. These subgroups include the Officers Group, Growth Group, Disputes Committee, Campaigns Group, Membership Group, Local Government Group and Comms Group. These subgroups may change over time according to the needs of the organisation. Members are encouraged to offer any specialised skill sets or knowledge, including advice and input on organisational activities, that may further benefit the organisation.