

## West London Left Unity

### Amendment to Crouch End motion (resubmitted from founding conference)

Electoral support for a new left party will only advance to the extent that it is genuinely representative of working class communities, has no interests separate from theirs, and is an organic part of the campaigns and movements which they generate and support. It will engage in ~~the European, national and local~~ electoral processes as appropriate, offering voters a left alternative, while understanding that elections are not the only arena or even the most important arena in which political struggles are fought.

Mindful of this, this conference calls upon the incoming leadership (or whatever term we are using for this) to establish a committee to be tasked with liaising with local Left Unity structures with a remit to, though not exclusively limited to:

- Liaise with local structures in order to assess the viability of an electoral campaign in their area;
- Identifying, in conjunction with the wider membership, possible key target constituencies;
- Facilitate a discussion between the wider membership on which elections we should, in the short to medium term, engage in;
- Assist local structures in building up their electoral capacity;
- Take a national view of state of our organisation and made recommendations as to how local structures can assist and reinforce each other in terms of electoral work with a view to ensuring that we maximise our resources;
- Carry out a skills audit of our membership with a view to identifying those who have prior experience of elections in order to facilitate the passing on of these skills to the wider membership through a co-ordinated training program;
- Begin the process of drafting materials such as canvass sheets for national use.

This conference, furthermore, calls upon all local Left Unity structures to begin the process of building their electoral capacity. Such work may include, but not exclusively:

- Identifying possible target constituencies at Local Government level;
- Identifying potential election candidates;
- Building the public profile of Party activists;
- Beginning the process of obtaining electoral registers and other relevant data;
- Devising local campaigns which both raise our profile and ensure we remain rooted within, and relevant to, local communities.

This conference accepts that candidates should only be fielded where a political base of support exists within the community and where the human and financial resources exist to make a genuine and locally representative campaign viable.

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