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Dear Member,

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National Constitutional Committee (NCC) elections 2013

I would very much appreciate nomination by your CLP for election to the National Constitutional Committee (NCC). The deadline for nominations to the Labour Party is 21 June, and the election will take place in September at Party annual conference.

My own CLP has already nominated me for the NCC. A Party member for 24 years, I was chair of my CLP for six years. I have experience as a council and parliamentary candidate. As a trade unionist, I served on the CWU NEC and I am President of Islington TUC. I am also a Fabian and a Co-operative Party member.

I have always taken a strong interest in the rules of the Party, and believe that people receiving justice in society – including in the Labour Party – is a fundamental human right. I have vast experience of dealing with disciplinary matters in my union where I served on the National Discipline Committee and also in assisting members at Employment Tribunals.

I believe in fairness for all, and that includes in the Labour Party. This means that the Party rules must be applied fairly to all, while always looking to resolve disputes and conflict so as to maximise unity and effectiveness within the Party.

Labour has to advocate an alternative to Coalition Government austerity and cuts. I want to end child poverty, improve health and education, end tax avoidance, promote peace and international development, return utilities and the railways to public ownership, build more affordable council and social housing, create employment and improve workers' rights, and invest in sustainable energy and green jobs.

Thanks for reading this letter and please give serious consideration to nominating me for the NCC.

Yours in comradeship,

Gary Heather