To: All CLPs in CAMDEN, ISLINGTON, KENSINGTON, LAMBETH, LEWISHAM. SOUTHWARK, TOWER HAMLETS and WESTMINSTER

From: FRANCIS PRIDEAUX

Subject: REQUEST FOR NOMINATION TO LONDON LABOUR PARTY BOARD

Dear All,

Your CLPs now have the opportunity to nominate candidates to represent the London Central Division on the London Regional Board. And I am writing to ask you to consider re-nominating me.

The Board co-ordinates a variety of functions, e.g.

1. ORGANISATIONAL: Following our successful campaign to get Sadiq Khan elected as Mayor of London, the next task will be to oversee the selection of the strongest possible team of candidates for the Council Elections. Selections should involve maximum participation by local Ward members. Close attention must also be given across London to the difficult discussions raised by the Tories’ cynical review of parliamentary boundaries.
2. CAMPAIGNING: If Labour is to succeed, we must involve both long-standing and newer members. We shall need to explain to voters that negative pressures on local services originate not from Labour Councils but from Downing Street. Our campaigning should consist not only of Voter ID sessions but also of putting forward Labour’s positive alternative programme to the electorate, e.g.

(a) HOUSING: Labour must demonstrate highly visible progress on building council homes and regulating the private rented sector. This remains top priority.

1. HEALTH: As agreed at Party Conference, all sections of the Party must campaign together to expose and resist the Tories’ ‘’Sustainability & Transformation Plans’’ (STPs) which involve massive continuing cuts to our health services on top of existing savage cuts to Local Authority budgets for social care.
2. TRANSPORT, FIRE and POLICE: Vital services must be protected (in terms of staff-numbers, equipment and accessibility) against the lasting legacy of Osborne’s austerity. Osborne may have gone, but his policies have not.

ACCOUNTABILITY: I believe that Labour has good prospects ahead, due both to Tory divisions and also our own developments in policy. I therefore want to help take our Party forward both in my own Constituency and London-wide. While serving on the Board I have consistently sought to uphold the rights of CLPs in terms of both organisational matters and policy input. I remain more than willing to visit your CLP Meeting to discuss with you any matters which may concern your members. I shall continue to respond promptly to any queries which may be raised.

It is on this basis that I now ask you to re-nominate me as your representative.

If you have any queries, please contact me as shown below.

With all best wishes in any case,

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P.S. Please note that the deadline for CLPs’ nominations to reach Regional Office is noon on Friday 28 October.