

CLGA supported NEC (CLP Section) candidates 2020

The candidates that the Centre-Left Grassroots Alliance (CLGA) has agreed to support in the 2020 National Executive Committee (NEC) CLP Section election are: Gemma Bolton, Yasmine Dar, Ann Henderson, Nadia Jama, Laura Pidcock and Mish Rahman.

Below is some information about the CLGA supported candidates, as available from the Labour Party website [here](#).

Gemma Bolton



Membership Number
L1405940

Statement

I am standing for Labour's NEC to seek a mandate for a radical policy agenda going into the 2024 general election and unite the party in support of progressive policies, including public ownership, strong opposition to austerity, and a Green New Deal to tackle the climate emergency. These policies are overwhelmingly popular with voters and provide a platform for power to elect a Labour government.

I am also standing on a platform of anti-racism, an end to scapegoating of migrants, and for equality, peace and human rights.

An active member of Labour's South-East Regional Executive for the last 4 years, I am also the South-East Youth Representative on the National Policy Forum and a constituency representative on the Women's Conference Arrangements Committee. Through these roles and other campaigns, I have developed vast experience of internal party organising and knowledge of our party's structures. I have fought for greater democracy and a voice for grassroots Labour members at all levels of our party.

I am supported by the Centre-Left Grassroots Alliance. I am fighting for a socialist Labour Government that will deliver the radical change we need.

Please also support Yasmine Dar, Ann Henderson, Nadia Jama, Laura Pidcock and Mish Rahman.

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Yasmine Dar



Membership Number
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Statement

I'm standing for re-election to the NEC so I can continue to be a strong voice for grassroots members. In the past 2.5 years I have:

- Pushed for implementation of the Democracy Review, including creation of equalities structures and NEC seats that will allow the voices of BAME, disabled, LGBT and women members to be genuinely heard.
- Been a strong supporter of Jeremy Corbyn's internationalist foreign policy for peace, justice and human rights throughout the world.
- As elected Chair of the Disputes Committee been committed to a transparent, fair disciplinary process based on natural justice.
- Supported more say for grassroots members, for example through open selections.

My experiences as a BAME woman, a social worker, co-founder of a Children's Charity, anti-racist activist and a Councillor have shaped my socialism and fuelled my determination to fight for a transformative Labour government for the many not the few. We must defend and advance the progressive policies of 2017 and 2019, taking action to support campaigns such as Black Lives Matter and on the Green New Deal.

I am proud to be supported by the Centre Left Grassroots Alliance. Please also support Ann Henderson, Laura Pidcock, Nadia Jama, Gemma Bolton and Mish Rahman.

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Ann Henderson



Membership Number
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Statement

I am standing for re-election to the NEC, committed to representing the views of the grassroots membership and improving support for CLPs across the whole country.

I joined the NEC in September 2018, and was elected Chair of the NEC Equalities Committee in January 2019. We face the most significant global public health and economic crisis of our lifetime, and must prioritise building on policies developed for our 2017 and 2019 manifestos to win anti-austerity, internationalist Labour governments.

As a Party and trade union activist since the early 1980s, I have extensive experience across the movement at every level, including the Scottish and National Policy Forums, and as a member of Labour's Scottish Executive Committee. Building a Party which understands devolution is important for us all.

On the NEC and in Scotland I have been centrally involved in re-establishing a Labour women's organisation, with delegate-based, policy-making Labour Women's Conferences. The experience of the COVID19 pandemic has highlighted the need for women's experiences and voices to be at the heart of our response.

I am supported by the Centre-Left Grassroots Alliance. Please also support Yasmine Dar, Laura Pidcock, Gemma Bolton, Mish Rahman, and Nadia Jama. Contact Channels
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Nadia Jama



Membership Number
L1486115

Statement

I grew up under Thatcher's government on a council estate near Orgrave, the daughter of a Somali steel worker and grand-daughter of a Liverpool docker. The authentic voices of working-class Black women must be central to our movement. I'll be a strong voice for members and party democracy.

To win, Labour must provide democratic socialist solutions to the unprecedented health, economic and environmental crises.

I'm a proud trade unionist. We must stand with our unions and health experts to put people before profit. The Tories' mishandling of coronavirus caused tens of thousands of deaths and risks thousands more. It also risks turning the austerity decade of economic stagnation into a deep recession. I support a socialist Green New Deal to kickstart our economy, tackle the climate crisis, create decent jobs and redress spiralling poverty and wealth inequality.

The importance of our internationalism has been demonstrated by the pandemic. I believe in global justice activism, including supporting the Palestinian people's right to self-determination.

I am supported by the Centre-Left Grassroots Alliance. I am fighting for a socialist Labour Government that will deliver the radical change we need. Please also support Gemma Bolton, Yasmine Dar, Ann Henderson, Laura Pidcock, and Mish Rahman.

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Laura Pidcock



Membership Number
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Statement

The scale and intensity of the challenges facing working class people here in the UK and across the world needs to be treated with the seriousness and urgency it deserves. We are facing a prolonged workers' rights crisis, a global environmental emergency, a global health pandemic and a huge political crisis. It is up to us to change the course of history. The current economic system offers no hope or security to working class people.

I am from a political tradition that wants bring about a different system, one which eradicates in-work poverty, supports a sustainable and thriving planet and an end to war and oppression. There are no individual solutions to our problems, only collective ones. I want to be your representative on the NEC to uphold socialist principles, to defend and push beyond the 2019 manifesto in order to achieve a Labour government, and to strongly defend democracy in our party. The membership is the Labour Party.

I am supported by the Centre-Left Grassroots Alliance. I am fighting for a socialist Labour Government that will deliver the radical change we need. Please also support Nadia Jama, Ann Henderson, Yasmine Dar, Mish Rahman & Gemma Bolton.

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Mish Rahman



Membership Number
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Statement

As one of the first graduates of Labour's Bernie Grant Leadership programme to empower more BAME people to stand for elected positions, I decided to stand for election to the NEC to ensure:

A strong voice for Party members on the NEC, and greater oversight over the governance of our Party. Political education and development for members. That the NEC reflects the diversity of our Party and stands in solidarity with Black Lives Matter. Strengthened organisations representing equalities groups.

Support for policies to deliver the future we need, which are overwhelmingly popular with the public: a Green New Deal, public ownership, a just welfare system, rolling back privatisation of the NHS, repealing anti-trade union laws, advancing migrants' rights, and international solidarity.

As a working class man of Bangladeshi heritage, whose father campaigned with the Anti-Nazi League in the 1980s against the National Front, I have always been a committed anti-racist activist. I'm CLP Chair in Aldridge-Brownhills and I'm an experienced Labour campaigner in the West Mids.

I am proud to be standing on a platform backed by the Centre Left Grassroots Alliance, including Momentum and CLPD. Please also support Yasmine Dar, Ann Henderson, Laura Pidcock, Nadia Jama, and Gemma Bolton.

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