



# JOHANNA

## Baxter

*for National Executive Committee*

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## **A STRONG, INDEPENDENT CANDIDATE WITH A TRACK RECORD OF PUTTING MEMBERS FIRST**

We need a strong NEC that can rebuild the Labour Party after our election defeat – representatives with a track record of working constructively, engaging with and speaking up for you. As your representative on the NEC I visited over 118 CLPs – more than any other volunteer.

What I learned at these meetings inspires the changes I fight for – a fairer economy, a welfare system that delivers for those most in need, an end to employment tribunal fees and fairer selections. As a Scot I want to fight to keep Scotland in the UK and return the Scottish Labour Party to an election-winning force.

As a trade union official, I see the devastating effects of the Tory attacks on workers basic rights every day so I know we need bold manifesto commitments to deliver a fairer society. Putting members first is my pledge, my priority and my politics. I've done it before – please help me do it again.

### **ABOUT JOHANNA**

Johanna is the granddaughter of a Killoch Pit miner who has dedicated her life to the Labour movement.

An experienced grassroots activist Johanna has campaigned for the Party in every election since she joined aged 16. She has held officer positions at every level of the Party, including as the current Chair of Cunninghame North CLP and member of the Scottish Executive Committee. She was previously Chair of the Southwark Labour Local Campaigns Forum, where she oversaw the selection of council candidates across the borough. She served on the NEC from 2010 to 2016 and was the CLP Secretary for Camberwell and Peckham Constituency and the Campaign Organiser for The Lane Branch Labour Party.

As a trade union official for over a decade she has fought a daily battle for better terms and conditions at work for thousands of employees in both the private and public sectors. Her first experience of activism involved representing fellow workers in a Glasgow call centre, as a CWU rep, whilst funding her own way through her degree in Politics and Law from Strathclyde University. She is currently the lead Trade Union negotiator for local government workers in Scotland, having recently secured the best pay deal in a decade.

Living in Scotland and not part of the Westminster Village, Johanna represents the bulk of the Party serving their communities as trade unionists, councillors and campaigners.

She has also enjoyed spells on the Young Fabians Executive, as a school governor in Birmingham and as guest editor for LabourList. In her spare time, Johanna is also a committed volunteer who has worked in some of Africa's poorest communities and with its most endangered animals.

### **CAN YOU HELP?**

As an independent candidate, focused on serving you, I need your support to get elected. You can help by;

- Attending your CLP Leadership Nomination meeting between now and 14 February and proposing from the floor that the CLP nominates me
- Invite me to speak to your CLP. As you can see from my record I'm always keen to meet members so please do invite me and I will do my best to attend.
- Spread the word - tweet your support @JohannaBaxter, and encourage local members to vote for me at your meeting.