

Conor Bollins, for London Conference Arrangements Committee



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I am standing for a position on London Region's Conference Arrangements Committee (CAC). Labour members deserve a robust CAC that organises a fair, inclusive London Regional Conference, with an agenda that reflects the dynamism and creativity of the Party's hardworking activists.

Londoners overwhelmingly support progressive policies such as the nationalisation of public transport, greater regulation over the private rented sector, and a Green New Deal for the city. Both the London Regional Executive Committee (REC) and CAC need to facilitate discussion over such policies to help work towards their implementation. Conference should be a hotbed of ideas that leads to the creation of transformative regional manifestos.

London is defined by its vibrant, diverse, and politicised communities. London Labour should become a positive pole of attraction for all the progressive, anti-establishment forces across the capital, and this should be reflected at Conference.

I have been a member of the Labour Party since 2011. I was first elected as a Labour Branch Secretary in 2018. Since June 2019, I have served as Chair of Kingston & Surbiton Labour Party. Importantly, for a position on the CAC, I have vast experience facilitating membership participation and debate. I have a reputation in my community for organising grassroots campaigns, on issues such as inequality, investment in local services, and local government responses to Covid-19. Since the onset of the pandemic, I have worked with activists across South West London to develop innovative campaign techniques and forms of resident engagement. I am a committed socialist and anti-racist. For work, I teach at universities and I am a member of the University and College Union. I have also worked closely with trade unionists from Unite, UNISON, GMB, NEU, and CWU.

This year's Regional Conference has been brought forward to July 2021 from November 2021, against the wishes of the elected REC. As a member of the CAC, I will be dedicated to democratic accountability, transparency, and defending the rights of Party members.

Please also vote for Seema Chandwani and Kathryn Johnson.