

## **Executive Report to Members**

**(for 23rd September 2021 meeting)**

### **General News**

We are delighted that face-to-face meetings have now resumed and we look forward to future meetings at the Sidcup Working Man's Club where there is good spacing and open ceiling areas. Parking is ample with good bus links.

We've invited two guests to speak on Policing and Police reform, with the Met Commissioner's reappointment, this is very timely. Our aim is to keep AMMs as interesting as possible, more debate, less business.

With Conference coming, you'll be glad to know that our CLP voted for an NHS supporting Motion and our delegates (Teresa Gray and Ahmad Brooke) will report back next month on their experiences as first time delegates.

We've had a busy August with some impromptu community campaigns.

Officers have been litter picking with Orpington CLP at Critalls corner.

Thanks to those who completed our GP survey '[When will I see you again Campaign](#)' that we are sharing with Bexley CCG and also on social media.

We've also helped collect much needed items for the [Lewisham Donation Hub](#), coordinating a Blackfen Hub, where members, friends and locals dropped off bags of useful items from Afghan refugees. Thanks to Anna Day for offering to take items in this week ending 12<sup>th</sup> Sept. The Hub website has an updated list of items that you can drop off on Sundays 1300 to 1600.

### **May 2022 elections**

The refuse strike has left a dent in the local Tory armour and whilst we are late in selecting candidates, we have now selected 5 women and 5 men to our Local Campaign Forum, once other CLPs have selected, we will be able to set out a timetable for selection.

Candidates who have been active and on the regular campaign trail will likely be selected. Our target ward in Old Bexley and Sidcup is East Wickham Ward. This is where the CLP focus will be, please support us in getting Council representation for our Constituency,

## Christmas party Saturday December 11th

Thanks to Bryan Moran for saving the CLP £££s and for helping us secure a Saturday night venue for our Christmas party at no cost.

## Bursary reminder

We are delighted to advise that 2 members\* have successfully applied for the Bursary that the CLP offer and have had their one-day pass and weekly pass to Conference funded following formal application and consideration by the Executive. (\*Secretary and Policy Officer). The bursary has never been used before and we'd encourage others who might wish to fund some political activity to check this link

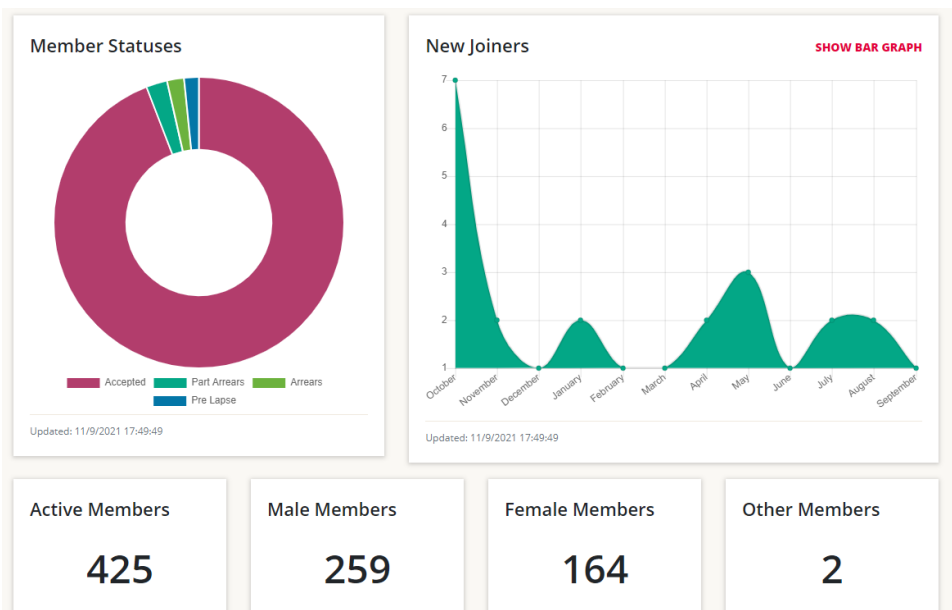
<https://www.obslabour.london/clp-materials/>

## Motions

Don't forget that anyone can submit a **Motion** on political issues or even changing the way we run the CLP, they will be considered at our executive meeting so please submit 15 days before the next AMM (all members meeting) to [anamosaic@gmail.com](mailto:anamosaic@gmail.com) for a chance to contribute to the debate. (1700 14<sup>th</sup> October 2021 is the next deadline).

[Here are the Motions we have passed to date.](#)

## Membership in Sept 2021



July 2021 (441), our new membership secretary will be looking at developing a more OBS specific new joiners web site and we will be targeting residents with an 18-year celebratory Birthday Card.

## **Executive updates**

### **Treasurer** (update from Secretary)

The 2019 Accounts have now been completed and need sending to HQ, the tax return has been sent to HMRC. The bank mandate needs to be transferred over to the new Treasurer and 2020 accounts to be signed off by the auditor.

We are still expecting a substantial electricity rebate and are awaiting a final ombudsman decision, it's either £2.5k or £5k, so worth pursuing!

### **Property** above the office – No issues to report.

OBS Office – we are awaiting a second quote to refresh and paint the office so we can repurpose for community needs.

### **Trade Union Officer** –. Contact Jay on [juraj.zilick@usdaw.org.uk](mailto:juraj.zilick@usdaw.org.uk).

Affiliations received this year.

Coop – National Affiliation

Unison – member Anna Day

CWU – Richard Crook and 1 unassigned

GMB – 2 delegates

USDaw – 3 delegates

Unite Community – Munir Malik, Bridget Riches, Anthony Riches, Claire Hedderman

ASLEF – Ray Garland

Socialist Health Association – Murali Surendran, Munir Malik, Anna Day, Richard Crook, Jeremy Fosten

TSSA – Anashua Davies

**Communities & Women's initiatives** – Contact Teresa Gray if you would like to be added to the Women's What's Ap Group [tessgray28@yahoo.co.uk](mailto:tessgray28@yahoo.co.uk)

## **Safeguarding**

**Any members under 18 are advised to join virtual meetings with just their initials.**

Safeguarding is the responsibility of all members and elected representatives, please visit the website link

<https://labour.org.uk/members/my-welfare/safeguarding/resource-hub/policy/safeguarding-welfare-policy-2018/>

### **Events – firm dates**

BBQ Sunday 12<sup>th</sup> September at 3pm 69 Pickford Lane

Next All Members' meeting – 28<sup>th</sup> October 2021 (In Person)

Christmas Party – Saturday 11<sup>th</sup> December 2021

**Foodbank volunteers** Contact Gill Bates 07759 171758

**AMM meetings** (no meetings in August or December)

### **Links to Canvasses, Internal events and social media**

[Desktop Calendar](#) (non-Facebook users)

[Public Events](#)

[Twitter](#)

[CLP Facebook Members Events Page](#) [CLP Facebook external Page](#)