

B1 Adopting a definition of Transphobia

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Agenda item: B Motions of Policy and Organisation

Summary

This motion calls for the adoption of Trans Actual's definition of transphobia as outlined on their website as of 2021

Notes:

- Hostility towards trans individuals has been increasing at alarming rates with it reaching a peak in 2019 where The Home Office reported an 81% increase in hate crimes against trans people.
- This hostility has become systemic with no mainstream media outlet not engaging in some form of transphobic reporting or uncritically platforming transphobic individuals or organisations.
- The Government has failed repeatedly to listen to the needs of Trans and Non-Binary individuals by not reforming the GRA or taking any action to introduce Self-ID
- On top of this a high court decision to restrict access to necessary medication as well as a number of high-profile people launching attacks against trans individuals has not made the situation any better.
- Transphobia has even bled into the wider Green Party.
- Trans Actual was founded by a group of trans people in 2017 in response to growing hostility and disinformation

Believes:

- That there is a significant disconnect between what people believe transphobia is and what it actually is.
- Transphobia is not a monolith and to treat it as such would allow for more subtle forms of transphobia to slip under the radar.
- The introduction of this definition will help alleviate that disconnect and form a basis for a zero-tolerance policy on transphobia
- Introducing this definition will allow us to be leaders not only within the wider Green Party but more generally in British politics.
- Trans Actual's definition is the most comprehensive definition available as it was created by trans individuals and includes overt forms of transphobia as well as more subtle forms.

29 Resolves:

- 30 • To adopt Trans Actual's definition of transphobia
- 31 • For all current members of the Young Greens and future members to be made
- 32 aware of the definition
- 33 • If an alternative definition is needed or the definition needs to be
- 34 updated, the Executive Committee has the ability to update the definition
- 35 as long as it is published and put in a report
- 36 • To ensure that any individual regardless of position who is found to
- 37 commit an act that is in line with the definition be held accountable in
- 38 accordance with disciplinary guidelines

Supporters

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