B5 Campaigning for Trans Equality

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Agenda item: B Motions of Policy and Organisation

Summary

This motion calls for Trans Equality to be explicitly stated as a key promise within the Youth Manifesto on the Young Greens website and in all Young Greens election campaigning materials. Trans Equality includes but is not limited to Self-ID system of legal transition and an Informed consent system of medical transition for all transgender and non-binary individuals.

Notes:

- No other party has Trans Equality as a clear part of their manifesto, and most tend to include a vague idea for Self-ID if at all.
- In medical settings Transgender people exist as second-class citizen, having to go through long drawn-out processes which are invasive and humiliating just to receive the same medication or treatment as Cisgender people do.
- For example, Hormone Replacement Therapy (HRT) for cisgender women going through menopause is available through a GP but for transgender women to the same therapy they must see a specialist, live in their gender for a set period of time, go before a panel of doctors to determine if they qualify for the therapy.
- A similar process is required just to obtain identification which matches their appearance and identity.
- Even if their identity matches their legal ID trans people still face legal discrimination for example, trans people must ask the government in order to be legally considered as parents.

Believes:

- Actively campaigning for this and including it in our party literature will show that we are a trans inclusive party.
- This motion will make us leaders in Trans Rights in politics and has the capability to cause change within the wider Green Party.
- The current system we exist under is discriminatory and must be changed, trans people should not have to jump through extra hoops just to receive the same treatment as cis people.
- Campaigning for this cannot only be done by liberation groups, it is a cause that all of us must work towards.
- These changes must be a part of a wider movement of power redistribution so that society serves human needs.
- These changes are desperately needed, only attempting to "reduce waiting times" is just a form of more efficient discrimination

Resolves:

- For trans equality to be a policy goal for the Young Greens and included on party literature
- For this motion to be renewed until it is achieved
- For all Young Greens to fight for trans equality in not only Young Green settings but also in wider Green Party settings

Supporters

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