

D1 Young Greens Constitution 2020/2021

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2 Article 1: Name, Membership and Objectives

3 1.1 The name of the organisation is “Young Greens of England and Wales”.

4 1.2 The accepted abbreviations are “Young Greens” or “YG” and in all
5 publications this name and abbreviations shall be synonymous.

6 1.3 The geographical boundaries of the Young Greens are England and Wales.

7 1.4 The Young Greens aim to encourage young people to become active in politics
8 and within the Green Party of England and Wales.

9 1.5 The Young Greens consists of all members of the Green Party of England and
10 Wales: 1.5.1 aged 29 years or less;

11 1.5.2 full-time students regardless of age;

12 1.6 Membership of the Young Greens includes voting rights to all elections in
13 accordance with this constitution.

14 1.7 An individual’s membership of the Young Greens can be permanently terminated
15 by an absolute two-thirds majority vote of the Executive Committee with the
16 agreement of the Chair of the Democracy and Accountability Committee. Where the
17 individual is a member of those committees, they will not be able to vote on or
18 be required to approve the termination and the absolute two-thirds majority will
19 exclude that individual.

20 1.8 Termination of membership can only occur if their membership is considered
21 to be detrimental to the work of the Young Greens. Prior to that, however, the
22 Young Greens Complaints and Disputes Procedure should have been used, as
23 outlined in Article 5.

24 Article 2: Organisation

25 2.1 The Young Greens is composed of individual members, committees and
26 Affiliated Groups, whose constitutions, aims and values should be consistent
27 with those of the Young Greens and the Green Party of England and Wales.

28 2.2 The Young Greens will be run by an Executive Committee, defined in Byelaw 1.

29 2.3 There will be a Democracy and Accountability Committee with responsibility
30 for constitutional affairs and inclusivity, as defined in Byelaw 2.

31 2.4 There will be a Green Students Committee consisting of two Co-Convenors and
32 five Non-Portfolio Officers, defined in Byelaw 4.

33 2.5 The Executive Committee, Democracy and Accountability Committee and the
34 Green Students Committee Co-Convenors will be elected at the Young Greens Annual
35 General Meeting according to the provisions in Section D of the Standing Orders.

36 2.6 Subcommittees may be formed either by a member of the Executive Committee,
37 where a simple majority vote of the Executive Committee has passed, or by a
38 petition of 25 members to a General Meeting.

39 2.7 All other groups outside of the committees defined in sections 2.2-2.5 will
40 be named Affiliated Groups, including Groups for the Regions of England, Wales,
41 Local Groups, Liberation Groups, and Special Interest Groups.

42 2.8 Affiliated Group constitutions should state that they are a part of the
43 Young Greens of England and Wales and not contradict the Young Greens
44 constitution in any way.

45 2.9 For a group to be affiliated, they must be accepted by an absolute majority
46 vote of the Executive Committee.

47 2.10 The Executive Committee must keep a list of affiliated groups and review it
48 each year after Convention.

49 2.11 An affiliated group of the Young Greens can be disaffiliated by an absolute
50 two-thirds majority vote of the Executive Committee if they are in violation of
51 this constitution or if their membership is considered detrimental to the work
52 of the Young Greens.

53 Article 3: Amendment of the Constitution

54 3.1 This constitution may only be amended by a two-thirds majority vote at a
55 General Meeting.

56 3.2 The byelaws to this constitution which all have the status of parts of this
57 constitution may be amended, created or revoked by a two-thirds majority vote at
58 a General Meeting.

59 3.3 A minor change to the constitution and standing orders, for the purpose of
60 the editing power that is held by DAC, is defined as one where the meaning of a
61 clause, or outcome of a clause, has not been altered (although it may be
62 clarified), nor additional clauses introduced; and the change is for the
63 purposes of correcting errors or inconsistencies in typography, spelling, or
64 grammar; clarifying a meaning, or correcting the numbering of clauses.

65 Article 4: The Standing Orders

66 4.1 The Standing Orders is a document which governs any elections within the
67 Young Greens and the processes of Convention and a General Meeting.

68 4.2 The Standing Orders must be followed at all times. They can be amended by a
69 two-thirds majority at a General Meeting.

70 4.3 Where there is a perceived contradiction between the Constitution and
71 Standing Orders, the Democracy and Accountability Committee shall rule on the
72 correct interpretation with precedence given to the Constitution.

73 Article 5: Complaints and Disputes

74 5.1 There shall be a Complaints and Disputes Subcommittee (C&D) of the Democracy
75 and Accountability Committee.

76 5.2 C&D will be constituted of a permanent representative from the Democracy and
77 Accountability Committee (hereby known as the DAC Rep), who will chair the

78 group, as well as four volunteers from the Young Greens membership, to make five
79 total members. Two of these four spaces should be advertised first to the Young
80 Greens Liberation Group Co-Chairs, with priority given to Young Greens of Colour
81 and Young Greens Women of Colour, before being opened to the wider membership if
82 no volunteers step forward who are Liberation Group Co-Chairs. Where there are
83 too many volunteers, selection will be made by DAC; candidates may be put on a
84 reserve list that would be used when other members are recused (see 2.). Where
85 there are too few volunteers, the remaining membership will be drawn by lots
86 from: Co-Convenors of Groups of the Regions of England, and Wales; Green
87 Students Committee members; and Young Green Liberation Group Co-Chairs. At least
88 two members of C&D should not be self-defining men.

89 5.3. C&D should have 5 participating members for every case dealt with. A
90 reserve list of members may be created by DAC in order to ensure that this is
91 possible, as members may be taking leave of absence. It may also be that members
92 have personal interests in the outcome of a case, or possess personal or
93 professional relations, amicable or otherwise, with those involved in a case.
94 Applications for recusal may be made by members of C&D, DAC, EC any Young Green
95 directly involved within a case, and are submitted to DAC, and may be done so by
96 or on the behalf of a member of C&D. A majority vote from DAC determines if a
97 member is recused. If the DAC Rep is recused, C&D is to vote on an acting Chair
98 for a case, who must be a member of C&D. Recusal should happen before the point
99 of formal intervention (the implementation of Section B.3).

100 5.4 C&D membership will be from its initiation until the following Young Greens
101 Convention, after which C&D will be re-formulated following Article 5.2. It is
102 permissible to re-volunteer. Complaints and Disputes will be dealt with by a
103 single C&D only and will not be passed on between re-formulations (except in the
104 case of resignations). This may lead to persons carrying out C&D duties for as
105 long as a complaint of dispute takes to judge on.

106 5.5 Members are to submit complaints based on breaches of the Young Greens
107 Constitution, Young Greens Standing Orders, Green Party Constitution, Green
108 Party Standing Orders, Green Party Code of Conduct or any other organisational
109 policies of the Green Party of England and Wales and Young Greens, including
110 anti-harassment and Safe Space policies.

111 5.6. Any complaints about another member of the Young Greens, or disputes that a
112 member feels they need help resolving, should go in the first instance to the
113 C&D. If for whatever reason a member does not feel comfortable approaching any
114 C&D member, they may go to Young Greens Staff, Young Greens Non-Portfolio
115 Officer with the Equality and Diversity Portfolio or to the Democracy and
116 Accountability Committee.

117 5.7 In the first instance when a complaint is lodged, a member of the C&D will
118 speak to involved parties and attempt to resolve the issue informally whilst
119 maintaining clear records, in accordance with Article 5.14.

120 5.8 Where any involved parties feel that hasn't worked, or where any parties
121 refuse the informal intervention, the complaint should be made in writing. All
122 involved parties will have equal chance to state their own case.

123 5.9 C&D Subcommittee will consider the complaint and make a judgment, in
124 writing, to all parties. Judgements should include a ruling on whether there

125 have been breaches of the Young Greens Constitution, Young Greens Standing
126 Orders, Green Party Constitution, Green Party Standing Orders, Green Party Code
127 of Conduct or any other organisational policies of the Green Party of England
128 and Wales and Young Greens, including anti-harassment and Safe Space policies.

129 5.10 After a judgement, C&D Subcommittee will make a recommendation of action to
130 either or both complainants. In cases where there is a need for disciplinary
131 action, to DAC or another relevant body where appropriate. These disciplinary
132 actions may include, but are not limited to:

133 5.10.1 Ban from Young Greens Events/Spaces, for a period of up to 12 months

134 5.10.2 Suspension of Young Greens membership, for a period of up to 12 months

135 5.10.3 Censure from holding a position within the Young Greens, for a period of

136 up to 12 months 5.10.4 Permanent termination of membership, as outlined in

137 Article 1.7

138 5.11 Where the case is deemed to be serious enough, C&D Subcommittee may
139 recommend a suspension for the period of the investigation and which must be
140 agreed by the Chair of the Democracy and Accountability Committee.

141 5.12 If the recommended action(s) following a judgment are not followed by the
142 involved parties, C&D should make recommendations of action to the EC or DAC.

143 5.13 If an individual; wishes to appeal a judgment made by C&D, they may do so
144 by communicating to DAC. The grounds for an appeal are if new evidence emerges,
145 or if C&D broke procedure. DAC should look over the evidence presented by the
146 appellant and may make a ruling on whether the appeals process should be
147 initiated. In this case, appeals will be heard by a new group formulated on the
148 same basis as C&D in 5.3 but excluding C&D members that made the original
149 judgment. This may be drawn from the list of reserve members.

150 5.14 There should be clear minutes and records of actions kept of all C&D
151 meetings. These may be disclosed beyond C&D at the discretion of C&D
152 Subcommittee, and a need for confidentiality and fair treatment must be
153 considered. C&D are to submit reports of each case to DAC. DAC will then include
154 a general, anonymous summary of these in their annual report.

155 5.15 A response to all initial complaints should be made to the initiator of the
156 complaint within 48 hours of receiving the complaint, in which the standard
157 process is outlined to them and how C&D intend to carry out the informal
158 mediation.

159 5.16 Informal mediation should start within 5 days of a complaint or dispute
160 being lodged.

161 5.17 A judgment should be made within 3 weeks of a complaint or dispute being
162 lodged in writing following informal mediation failing or where the written
163 statement refuses informal mediation.

164 5.18 Any requests for updates from any involved party should be responded to
165 within 72 hours. 5.19 Extensions to these deadlines should be sought from DAC in
166 extenuating circumstances

167 5.20 Malicious complaints made against a Young Greens member are serious and a
168 breach of the principles outlined in the Constitution as well as the GPEW Code

169 of Conduct. C&D Subcommittee will dismiss malicious complaints and may notify
170 relevant parties that a malicious complaint has been made.

171 Article 6: The Young Greens Record of Policy Statements

172 6.1 There shall be a Young Greens Record of Policy Statements (hereafter YG
173 RoPS) that contains contemporary policy statements from the Young Greens of
174 England and Wales.

175 6.2 Actions from Young Green bodies should not contradict statements in the
176 RoPS.

177 6.3 Statements may be submitted to the YG RoPS by a simple majority vote of a
178 motion submitted to Convention. Alternatively, statements may be submitted to
179 the YG RoPS by a simple majority vote of the Executive Committee, with the
180 consent of SPC. All statements added between Conventions are to be reported to
181 the following Young Greens Annual General Meeting by DAC and recorded in DAC
182 monthly reports.

183 6.4 Statements may be removed from the YG RoPS by a simple majority vote of a
184 motion submitted to Convention. Alternatively, statements may be removed from
185 the YG RoPS by a simple majority vote of the Executive Committee, with the
186 consent of DAC. All statements removed between Conventions are to be reported to
187 the following Young Greens Annual General Meeting by DAC and recorded in DAC
188 monthly reports.

189 6.5 After five years of a statement being entered into the YG RoPS, it is
190 considered to be in grace as recorded by DAC. This means that it will be
191 reported to be in grace to the following Young Greens Annual General Meeting by
192 DAC, who will give Convention the chance to vote on whether it should stay in
193 the YG RoPS, which requires a simple majority. This restarts the five-year
194 placement of that statement into the YG RoPS.

195 6.6 The YG RoPS should be publicly available.

196 Article 7: The Young Greens Record of Organisational Statements

197 7.1 There shall be a Young Greens Record of Organisational Statements (hereafter
198 YG RoOS) that contains organisational policies from the Young Greens of England
199 and Wales.

200 7.2 Actions from Young Green bodies should not contradict statements in the
201 RoOS.

202 7.3 Statements may be submitted to the YG RoOS by a simple majority vote of a
203 motion submitted to Convention. Alternatively, statements may be submitted to
204 the YG RoOS by a simple majority vote of the EC, with the consent of SPC. All
205 statements added between Conventions are to be reported to the following Young
206 Greens Annual General Meeting by DAC and recorded in DAC monthly reports.

207 7.4 Statements may be removed from the YG RoOS by a simple majority vote of a
208 motion submitted to Convention. Alternatively, statements may be removed from
209 the YG RoOS by a simple majority vote of the EC, with the consent of DAC. All
210 statements removed between Conventions are to be reported to the following Young
211 Greens Annual General Meeting by DAC and recorded in DAC monthly reports.

212 7.5 Each year EC will review the RoOS and bring a list of statements they judge
213 to be out of date to Convention for a vote of retention or removal.

214 7.6 The YG RoOS should be publicly available.

215 Article 8: Safe Spaces Policy

216 8.1 The Young Greens are committed to providing an environment free of racism,
217 sexism, ableism, homophobia, transphobia, religious discrimination or any other
218 types of oppression, including, but not limited to, oppression against non-
219 binary identities and sex workers.

220 8.2 The Young Greens are committed to providing an environment free of bullying,
221 name-calling or any forms of abusive behaviour.

222 8.3 The Young Greens are committed to challenging these types of oppression
223 whenever they occur in Young Greens spaces.

224 8.4 The Young Greens are committed to having a victim centred approach when safe
225 spaces are jeopardised.

226 8.5 The Young Greens will follow guidance regarding safe spaces in the RoOS.

227 8.6 When it comes from outside of the Young Greens but within the Green Party,
228 individuals in the Young Greens are encouraged to report all forms of oppression
229 or discrimination including hate crime to the Green Party of England and Wales
230 through the standard complaints procedures for further investigation into these
231 matters. Individuals may contact the Young Greens Complaints and Disputes
232 Committee to receive support in doing so.

233 Article 9: Safeguarding

234 9.1 Young Greens EC shall appoint a Safeguarding Officer and Deputy Safeguarding
235 Officer. 9.2 The Safeguarding Officer and their Deputy have the duty to:

236 9.2.1 Lead on the development of safeguards for the Young Greens.

237 9.2.2 To promote the safety and welfare of children and young people in the
238 Young Greens. 9.2.3 Receive and record information from anyone who has concerns.

239 9.2.4 Assess the information promptly and carefully, clarifying or obtaining
240 more information where necessary.

241 9.2.5 Consult initially with a statutory child protection agency, such as the
242 local children's social care teams or the NSPCC with any doubts or concerns.

243 9.2.6 Make a formal referral when required to a statutory child protection
244 agency or the police.

245 9.3 It is not their job to decide whether a child or a young person has been
246 abused or not. These roles can be shared with other roles within the Young
247 Greens.

248 9.4 Young Greens will follow the guidance regarding safeguarding in the RoOS.
249 Byelaws of the Young Greens of England and Wales

250 Byelaw 1: The Young Greens Executive Committee

- 251 1.1 There shall be an Executive Committee (hereafter referred to as “the
252 Executive Committee” or “EC”) which shall consist of:
- 253 1.1.1 Two Co-Chairs, of which at least one must be not a self-defining man.
- 254 1.1.2 Treasurer.
- 255 1.1.3 The Green Students Committee Co-convenors, who shall be responsible for
256 the Green Students Committee.
- 257 1.1.4 Elections Officer
- 258 1.1.5 Digital Communications Officer
- 259 1.1.6 Press Officer
- 260 1.1.7 Campaigns Officer
- 261 1.1.8 Events Officer
- 262 1.1.9 International Officer
- 263 1.1.10 Equality and Diversity Officer
- 264 1.1.11 Activist Training and Political Education Officer
- 265 1.1.12 Liberation Officers (from each formerly constituted Liberation Group)
- 266 1.1.13 Under 18s Officer
- 267 1.2 EC Elections shall be carried out according to Section E of the Standing
268 Orders, following the procedures, timescale and gender balance rules described
269 therein.
- 270 1.3 The aim and responsibility of the EC is to:
- 271 1.3.1 Provide an overall direction and strategic planning.
- 272 1.3.2 Support all members and bodies within the Young Greens.
- 273 1.3.3 Represent the Young Greens externally, including running the website and
274 social media and representing the Young Greens at events.
- 275 1.4 EC members shall individually provide a quarterly report to the membership
276 which is made available for all members. A quarterly online question and answer
277 session hosted by DAC should follow and be promoted to all members with a call
278 for questions.
- 279 1.5 EC Members shall provide an end of year report to the Young Greens Annual
280 General Meeting
- 281 1.6 Vacant positions may be co-opted at any time throughout the year following
282 the procedure outlined in Section D6 of the Standing Orders.
- 283 1.7 The quorum for EC decisions is 50% + 1 of all EC members.
- 284 Byelaw 2: The Democracy and Accountability Committee
- 285 2.1 There shall be a Democracy and Accountability Committee (hereafter known as
286 “the Democracy and Accountability Committee” or “DAC”) which shall consist of:
- 287 2.1.1 Five members, where one member is selected within as Chair.

288 2.1.2 The Chair shall be selected at the first meeting of DAC after the Annual
289 Ballot.

290 2.1.3 The position of Chair may also be taken as a job-share between two members
291 of DAC who will then be Co-chairs.

292 2.1.4 If the Chair or Co-chairs resigns, DAC shall select a new Chair or Co-
293 chairs at their next available meeting.

294 2.2 Elections will be carried out according to Section E of the Standing Orders,
295 following the procedures, timescale and gender balance rules described therein.

296 2.3 The aim and responsibility of the Democracy and Accountability Committee is
297 to: 2.3.1 Uphold this Constitution, Byelaws and Standing Orders.

298 2.3.2 Oversee updates and clarifications to these, including through elections
299 and the Annual General meeting.

300 2.3.3 Make rulings on interpretations of this Constitution and to declare acts
301 constitutional or otherwise.

302 2.3.4 Make minor changes to the Constitution and the Standing Orders to ensure
303 it is standardised and accurate, as outlined in Article 3.3 of this
304 Constitution.

305 2.3.5 As part of this role, the Democracy and Accountability Committee will run
306 a General Meeting as described in Sections B and C of the Standing Orders.

307 2.3.6. Additionally, the Democracy and Accountability Committee is responsible
308 for ensuring accountability of the Young Greens at large.

309 2.4 The Chair of the Democracy and Accountability Committee has the right to
310 attend all meetings of the Executive Committee, but not vote, as a
311 representative of the Democracy and Accountability Committee and should be
312 consulted on major decisions.

313 2.5 The Democracy and Accountability Committee members shall individually
314 provide a quarterly report to the membership, which is made available to all
315 members, and an end-of-year report to the Young Greens Annual General Meeting.
316 These shall detail any minor changes made to the constitution and standing
317 orders.

318 Byelaw 3: The Green Students Committee

319 3.1 The Green Students Committee shall be led by two Co-Convenors, of which at
320 least one must not self-define as a man.

321 3.2 The Co-convenors shall be elected in line with Section E of the Standing
322 Orders following the procedures, timescale and gender balance rules described
323 therein.

324 3.3 The aim and responsibility of the Green Students Committee is to:

325 3.3.1 Ensure that the Executive Committee is kept up to date on issues effective
326 students and to lead campaigning on those issues.

327 3.3.2 Encourage Young Greens to stand for elected positions in relevant student
328 -led organisations, including but not limited to, their students unions, NUS, or
329 UCU (if they are eligible).

330 3.3.3 Support any Young Greens holding those elected positions in relevant
331 student-led organisations.

332 3.3.4 Ensure that the Young Greens are involved with campaigns run by the NUS,
333 and other relevant student-led organisations.

334 3.3.5 Liaise with external bodies that are relevant to student issues and
335 campaigning.

336 3.3.6 Promote campaigns and organisations relevant to the students movement to
337 the Young Greens membership.

338 3.3.7 Work with the Executive Committee to support the Young Greens Students
339 Societies and ensure their effective running.

340 3.4 Green Students Committee Co-Convenors shall individually provide a quarterly
341 report to the membership, to be published on the members' website, and an end-
342 of-year report to the Young Greens Annual General Meeting.

343 3.5 Vacant positions may be co-opted at any time throughout the year following
344 the procedure outlined in the standing orders.

345 3.6 The Green Students Co-convenors shall be members of the Executive Committee
346 as outlined in Byelaw 1.

347 Byelaw 4: Liberation Groups

348 4.1 Liberation Groups shall represent individuals who face current and historic
349 oppression, discrimination and/or are marginalised in wider society due to a
350 shared characteristic.

351 4.2 Liberation Groups shall ensure that the voices and perspectives of people in
352 marginalised groups are well represented and heard within the structures and
353 policies of the Young Greens and the wider Green Party.

354 4.3 Young Greens members are free to join any Liberation Group which they self-
355 identify as a member of. As such, these groups shall be organised and led by
356 self-identifying members.

357 4.4 The current list of Liberation Groups is as follows:

358 4.4.1 Disability.

359 4.4.2 LGBTIQA+.

360 4.4.3 People of Colour.

361 4.4.4 Trans.

362 4.4.5 Womxn.

363 4.4.6 Women of Colour.

364 4.5 A new group can be set up if the criteria in both 4.5.1 and in 4.5.2 are
365 met:

366 4.5.1 The proposed group face current and historic oppression, discrimination
367 and/or are marginalised in wider society based around a shared characteristic.

368 4.5.2 The proposer can demonstrate that at least 5 members will actively join
369 the group.

370 4.6 EC shall use their discretion in approving the creation of new Liberation
371 Groups between General Meetings and shall bring a paper of ratification to the
372 next Annual General Meeting, or to an Emergency General Meeting if this happens
373 to occur first.

374 4.7 Each Liberation Group shall elect from their membership at least two Co-
375 chairs, where no more than one self-defines as a man. If for any reason, the
376 Liberation Group cannot run the election, DAC will run the election on their
377 behalf.

378 4.8 The election should be organised by said Liberation Group using a system of
379 Single Transferable Vote, for which advice can be sought from DAC, to ensure
380 that the rules in 4.7 are satisfied. If for any reason, the Liberation Group
381 cannot run the election, DAC will run the election on their behalf.

382 4.9 Liberation Groups may be additionally led by a committee, with the number of
383 positions and the election or co-option timescale at the discretion of the
384 Liberation Group members.

385 4.10 Each Liberation Group will reserve a seat on the committee for their
386 Liberation Group Officer.

387 4.10.1 The Liberation Group Officer will be elected through the Annual Ballot in
388 accordance with Section E of the Standing Orders.

389 4.10.2 The Liberation Group Officer will not be able to also hold the position
390 as Co-Chair of the Liberation Group

391 4.11 The Liberation Group Co-Chairs, or Committee where appropriate, are in
392 charge of moderating any online spaces they group holds, organising training
393 days and meet-ups, upholding the Safe Space policy at all times, and
394 representing their Liberation Group concerns through the Liberation Group
395 Officer and to the Equality and Diversity Officer.

396 Byelaw 5: International Affiliation

397 5.1 The Young Greens of England and Wales is a full member organisation of the
398 Federation of Young European Greens (FYEG).

399 5.2 The Young Greens of England and Wales is a member of the Global Young Greens
400 (GYG) by virtue of its membership of FYEG.

401 5.3 As a member of both organisations, the Young Greens will endeavour to send
402 at least one delegate to the FYEG General Assembly or GYG Congress each year.

403 5.4 The first international delegate shall be a member of EC.

404 5.5 If there are to be any further delegates, they should be appointed from the
405 general membership by EC. 5.6 Additional observers for the General Assembly may
406 be appointed by EC.

407 5.7 In the event of the Global Young Greens Congress being held the same year as
408 the FYEG General Assembly, this election shall occur twice - all members,
409 despite any prior delegate status, are able to be a candidate in this election,
410 in line with Section E of the Standing Orders.

411 5.8 At the FYEG General Assembly, the first delegate and the elected
412 international delegate shall be given one vote each (as permitted by the FYEG
413 Constitution). The first delegate shall consult EC for advice on how to vote on
414 motions, but further delegates may vote independently; they can seek advice from
415 EC and indeed agree with the EC delegate vote.

416 5.9 If any member of the Young Greens of England and Wales wishes to run for
417 election to any roles within FYEG or GYG, they must consult and seek the
418 nomination of the EC.

419 Byelaw 6: Special Interest Groups

420 6.1 Members with concerns on a specific issue or set of issues, may form a
421 Special Interest Group in order to develop policy positions and pursue campaigns
422 within the structure and strategy of the Young Greens.

423 6.2 Young Greens members are free to join any Special Interest Group, in
424 accordance with any rules on eligibility as defined by the group.

425 6.3 The current list of Special Interest Groups is as follows:

426 6.3.1 Under 18s

427 6.3.2 Sex Workers

428 6.4 The proposer can demonstrate that at least 5 members will actively join the
429 group.

430 6.5 EC shall use their discretion in approving the creation of new Special
431 Interest Groups between General Meetings and shall bring a paper of ratification
432 to the next Annual General Meeting, or to an Emergency General Meeting if this
433 happens to occur first.

434 6.6 Each Special Interest Group shall elect from their membership at least two
435 Co-chairs, where no more than one self-defines as a man.

436 6.7 The election should be organised by said Special Interest Group using a
437 system of Single Transferable Vote, for which advice can be sought from DAC, to
438 ensure that the rules in 6.64.7 are satisfied. If for any reason, the Special
439 Interest Group cannot run the election, DAC will control the election.

440 6.8 Special Interest Groups may be additionally led by a committee, with the
441 number of positions and the election or co-option timescale at the discretion of
442 the Special Interest Groups members