

NPO1 Robert Nixon

Agenda item: E.2. Non Portfolio Officer

Which role are you applying for?:  
Non-Portfolio Officer

## Candidate Statement

I'm seeking election to the Young Greens executive committee (EC) as a non-portfolio officer and if elected I would take on an elections portfolio.

Why do I think EC needs an elections officer this year? Due to Covid-19, the local elections that were due to happen this year will now happen in 2021. The number of campaigns to support is a challenge, but it also presents a huge opportunity to, I think, at least double the number of elected Young Greens we have across England and Wales. In addition to an increased number of local elections it's also important to remember that we'll have other elections to campaign in too. I'm keen to support the Wales Young Greens in delivering a strong campaign in the Welsh Parliament elections and there are also other campaigns, such as mayoral elections, where the Young Greens should play an important role in the party's campaign.

It will be an immense task to deliver the impact that I believe the Young Greens should have in these elections which is why I think the EC should have an officer for the job. As soon as it is safe to do so I want to see the Young Greens start getting our activists involved on the ground in supporting inspiring Young Green candidates, many of whom are already selected. Whilst there are still restrictions on the activities we can do, I'd work on producing a strategy for the 2021 elections in collaboration with regional and local Young Greens groups and I'd contribute to the organising of more online events, which have been a great way to keep members engaged during this time.

I believe I have the experience the committee needs to take the Young Greens into these elections. In 2019, I supported the delivery of the South East Young Greens local election plans which helped elect three Young Green councillors to Brighton and Hove city council. At the same time, in Oxfordshire, I ran my own campaign in which I became the first Green Party councillor to sit on Bicester Town Council. Later in the year I ran the South East Young Greens general election campaign, in collaboration with the current executive committee, which saw us mobilise Young Greens to campaign in the Isle of Wight and Lewes, key campaigns in the South East. Furthermore I've attended campaign school and have a strong knowledge of the party's elections strategy, which I've been involved in implementing locally in Oxfordshire Green Party.

I hope that you'll consider voting for me so that together we can deliver the Young Greens best ever election results in 2021.

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Supporter 2 Name:

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Supporter 2 Local Party/Affiliated Group:

Haringey Green Party