**Annual General Meeting, 9 March 2018 - Rules**

Campaign committee

Following a review by Andrew Smith of the structure and functioning of the campaign committee, the executive committee proposes amending the rules to expand its membership and define its remit. The current rule is given below, and the new rule is overleaf. The regional director has been consulted and is happy to endorse this variation to the national rulebook on behalf of the NEC.

**Present Oxford & District Labour Party Rule**

7. There shall be established a campaign committee to co-ordinate the public activity of this party in all electoral areas wholly or partly within the constituencies.

A. The campaign committee shall comprise campaign organisers and other members as appropriate. The chair, secretary and treasurer of this party and the member(s) of Parliament and / or the parliamentary candidate(s) and the parliamentary agent (s) shall be ex-officio members of the campaign committee.

B. The campaign committee shall elect a campaign co-ordinator who shall co-ordinate constituency-wide campaigns; liaise with Head Office and the south-east regional office and with affiliated organisations in the promotion of the party’s campaigns; and liaise with other election agents as appropriate over the election campaign strategy for elections and referendums taking place wholly or partly within the area of this party, at parish, district, county, police authority, Westminster, parliamentary and European level.

C. Where the campaign co-ordinator is not the election agent, the campaign committee shall ensure that an election agent is appointed to be responsible for all local elections within relevant parts of these constituencies, and that all election materials are signed off by the appropriate agent. Where local authority areas extend beyond the constituencies, the agent shall liaise with other agents in order to ensure a unified and co-ordinated campaign. For national elections the committee should seek to appoint an election agent at the earliest opportunity in consultation with the prospective candidate and appropriate regional director and this appointment shall be subject to the approval of the NEC. Any member not otherwise disbarred from being an election agent may be considered for appointment.

**Proposed New Rule**

7. There shall be established a campaign committee to co-ordinate the public activity of this party in all electoral areas wholly or partly within the constituencies.

A. The campaign committee shall comprise:

1. **Ex officio**: Chair, secretary, treasurer, membership secretary, BAME officer, disability officer, LGBT officer, trade union liaison officer, women’s officer, MP(s), parliamentary candidate(s), leader of Oxford city Labour group, leader of Oxfordshire county Labour group, local election agent, parliamentary agents for Oxford East and Oxford West & Abingdon constituencies,
2. **Branch and other representatives**: a representative from each party branch and university Labour club / society, Young Labour and the Co-op Party, who may be someone otherwise a member ex officio, and who may send a substitute if unable to attend a meeting.
3. **Local organiser**
4. **Ward organisers** who wish to attend.
5. **Campaign activists** who wish to attend. Invitations will be issued at each AGM

B. The members of the campaign committee in A(i) and A(ii) above shall elect a campaign co-ordinator who shall co-ordinate constituency-wide campaigns; liaise with Head Office and the south-east regional office and with affiliated organisations in the promotion of the party’s campaigns; and liaise with other election agents as appropriate over the election campaign strategy for elections and referendums taking place wholly or partly within the area of this party, at parish, district, county, police authority, Westminster, parliamentary and European level.

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D. The remit of the campaign committee shall be to oversee and make recommendations to the executive committee on:

1. campaigning to win support and elections for Labour
2. national campaign days
3. campaigning on specific issues
4. training of activists
5. supporting and facilitating branch campaign activities
6. campaigning infrastructure, including use of social media and digital advertising / promotion
7. advancing equalities in representation and campaigning
8. development work in wards where support or activism have been weaker
9. training members
10. fundraising at a strategic level
11. election of Chair to act as campaign co-ordinator

E. The campaign committee shall normally meet three times each year, with additional meetings where required.