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To whom it may concern,

1st Vice Chair of the Social Inclusion and Human Dignity Committee

Please find attached with this letter my curriculum vitae which forms part of my nomination to be 1st Vice Chair of the Social Inclusion and Human Dignity Committee.

I have been a member of the Congress of Local and Regional Authorities since 2018 throughout that period I have served on the Social Inclusion and Human Dignity Committee formerly the Current Affairs Committee. During my time on the committee, I have been a rapporteur on a report on aging communities.

The Council of Europe, Congress of Local and Regional Authorities is a fantastic organisation that upholds the values that I truly believe in.

My experience includes working professionally for the Greater London Authority, which is the regional authority in London, and for a Member of the UK Parliament. I have been on my local authority for over a decade becoming the first female leader of Enfield Conservative Group in 2017. I served as Leader of the Opposition on Enfield Council from 2017-2022. I have been chosen by my peers to be on committees of the Local Government Association which is the body that lobbies the UK national government on behalf of the sector.

I believe I have the skills and experience to take on the role of 1st Vice Chair of the Social Inclusion and Human Dignity Committee. I would be honoured if I were elected.

Yours sincerely

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ECR Group Member



Enfield Council

Elected 2010 to date

Leader of the Opposition & Conservative Group 2017-2022

Deputy Leader & Shadow Cabinet Member for Environment 2012-2017

Shadow Cabinet Member for Culture, Leisure and Libraries 2011-2017

Key successes

- Leader the Conservative Group that won an additional eight seats at the 2022 local elections one of the best results in the country
- First woman leader of the Opposition and Conservative Group
- Lobbying government for local government policy changes
- Highlighting incompetence and Labour controversies in national and regional media
- Working with government ministers

Local Government Association

Member of the Conservative Group Executive

Deputy Chair of the Culture, Tourism and Sport Board 2023 to date

Member of the Cities and Regions Board 2029-2022

Key successes

- Give national government local government's views on emerging culture, tourism, and sport policy
- Evaluate best practice on the delivery of culture, tourism and sport services and share across country.
- Holding both the Secretary of State and Shadow Secretary of State for Culture, Media and Sport to account on the long-term future of council owned leisure centres and theatres.

Council of Europe, Congress of Local and Regional Authorities

Deputy Leader of the United Kingdom Conservative Group 2022

Vice President of the Social Inclusion and Human Dignity formerly Current Affairs Committee 2018 to date

Key successes

- Speaking against Russia when it was voted out of the organisation.
- A rapporteur on a report on ageing communities <https://rm.coe.int/ageing-communities-ensuring-access-to-quality-social-care-for-older-pe/1680b1a056>
- Spoken in the chamber in Strasbourg against rising antisemitism across Europe.

UK General Election 2019

Enfield North Parliamentary Candidate

Key success

- Reduced Labour's majority

Senior Parliamentary Assistant to Gareth Bacon MP currently UK Shadow Secretary of State for Transport formerly Parliamentary Under Secretary of State for Justice 2022- to date

Key activities

- Stakeholder engagement with transport industry
- Highlighting the impact of the Ultra Low Emission Zone [ULEZ] on constituents
- Drafting parliamentary questions
- Accompanying Gareth Bacon MP to meetings with representatives from major companies
- Working closely with civil servants

Senior Researcher – London Assembly Conservative Group 2018-2022

Researcher and Support Officer – 2016-2018

Key activities

- Drafted questions and speeches for London Assembly Members to hold the Mayor and Deputy Mayor for Fire to account for the work of the London Fire Brigade including its response to the Grenfell Tower Fire.
- Drafted alternative policies to the ULEZ
- Supported London Assembly Members on the scrutiny of the ULEZ and London Power [the Mayor's energy company]

London Assembly Election 2016

London wide candidate

Research and Support Officer to the Deputy Mayor of London 2015-2016

Key activities

- Working as part of a Conservative London mayoralty under Rt Hon Boris Johnson who became UK Prime Minister
- Drafting speeches and working with GLA officers
- Organising events and visits
- Liaising with the UK Foreign Office, embassies, and government departments on outreach visits, meetings, and state visits
- Accompanying the Deputy Mayor to meet with Prime Ministers and ministers from other countries and members of the British and European royal families.

Education

MA British and European Politics

BA Modern History and Politics