

A18 Democratic Oversight of Manifesto Progress

Proposer: Alys Mumford (Edinburgh Green Councillor Group)

Motion text

- 1 This motion instructs the Edinburgh Branch to help convene a short-life working
- 2 group of members to meet with the Green Councillor Group between May 2024 and
- 3 May 2025 to monitor and evaluate manifesto progress. The Councillor Group has
- 4 committed to facilitate this process if the branch approves this motion.
- 5 Additionally, Edinburgh Branch should approach other Lothian branches and MSP to
- 6 discuss the possibility of replicating this process for Holyrood manifesto
- 7 progress and priorities.

Reason

Green Councillors and MSPs are elected on a manifesto which has been written by and for our members and it is only right that members be involved in the monitoring of our manifestos. Additionally, it is not always possible to achieve all manifesto pledges after an election, and members should have the opportunity to be involved in working with elected members on strategic decision-making about prioritisation of manifesto pledges.

The Edinburgh Green Councillor Group believe this is best achieved through a small group of branch members meeting with elected representatives at the halfway point of any elected term (for example, 2 and a half years in to a Council term), and should be used for Green Councillors, MSPs, and any other levels of elected democracy which may apply.

Supporters

Ben Parker (Edinburgh Green Councillor Group)