

Committee Nomination

Proposer: Michael Weir

Title: Michael Weir



Why would you like to be elected to the role(s) you are standing for?

For me, politics is about hope and compassion. Hope for the future, and compassion for each other. In December, Maggie Chapman said in a debate on welfare (I'm paraphrasing a bit) *Under our armour, we are all wounded, we all bleed, we all need care... To give and receive care is to be human.* That's what the best of politics should be. Looking after each other, protecting the most vulnerable.

Serving on the committee is how I can best help achieve this goal and use my skillset to return the biggest cohort of green MSPs yet.

While I'm running in a personal capacity, what I've learned working in the Scottish Parliament, immersed in politics, will help me deliver for our committee, branch and party.

What skills, knowledge and life experience would you bring to the role(s) you are standing for?

What do I bring to the table?

- 4 years as comms and engagement specialist at the Scottish Parliament:
 - Extensive knowledge of Scottish politics.
 - Good relationships with Green MSPs and staff. I'd be well suited to align our message with the group but confident discussing where we should diverge.
 - I create accessible, engaging content – videos, graphics, articles and blogs.
- Previous experience as a Royal Navy officer and engineering manager spearheading renewables projects - I know how to lead from the front.
- I will put in the work to get results. I've already completed a postgrad certificate and additional courses in communication, influencing, and leadership as well as the commonwealth parliamentary association development program.

Role preference

First preference	Communications Officer
role:	
Second preference	Events and Engagement Officer
role:	
Third preference	Ordinary Member - Communications Group
role:	
Fourth preference	Ordinary Member - Events and Engagement Group
role:	
Fifth preference	Ordinary Member - Equality, Diversity and
role:	Inclusion Group

Supporters

Anne Scott, Dirk Nols-McVey