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Our Ref: FOI 077-23

Thank you for your email to the Electoral Commission dated 10 June 2023, received 12 June 2023.

The Commission aims to respond to requests for information promptly and has done so within the statutory timeframe of twenty working days.

Your request is shown below followed by our response.

You have asked for the following information:

Further to the details published at this page: https://www.electoralcommission.org.uk/who-we-are-and-what-we-do/party-registration-applications/view-current-applications

Please could you send me all the recorded information you hold with regards to these proposed registrations:

- * National Conservatism Party
- * National Distributist Party
- * Homeland Party
- * Anew UK
- * The British Revival Party

By recorded information should be considered to include, but not be limited to, email correspondence, application documentation, internal discussion notes and minutes, and sms messages.

Our response is as follows:

We hold some of the information you have requested. We do not hold SMS messages in relation to this request.

Below I have addressed each applicant party in turn and the information that we hold in relation to them.

National Conservatism Party

We hold application documentation and correspondence that are covered by the scope of the request. As a decision has now been taken on this application, we have disclosed all of this information to you in our response.

You will notice that in the attached pdf document, some of the information has been redacted. Information is exempt under section 40(2) of the Freedom of Information Act 2000 (FOIA) if it constitutes the personal data of third parties (anyone other than the requester) where complying with the request would breach any of the principles in the UK GDPR. Personal information belonging to individuals that is not already contained on our public register, or that belongs to more junior members of Commission staff, satisfies these qualities and therefore we have not disclosed it to you.

National Distributist Party

We hold application documentation and correspondence that are covered by the scope of the request. As a decision has now been taken on this application, we have disclosed all of this information to you in our response.

Some of the information has been redacted, in line with the principles of personal data that are outlined above.

Homeland Party

We hold application documentation and correspondence that are covered by the scope of the request. We have released some correspondence relating to this party in our response. Some of the information has been redacted, in line with the principles of personal data that are outlined above. We consider some correspondence, and the application documentation, exempt from disclosure under Section 31(1)(g) of the FOIA.

Exemption: Section 31(1)(g) Freedom of Information Act 2000

Section 31(1)(g) exempts from disclosure information that would or would be likely to prejudice the exercise of the Commission's functions under PPERA for the purposes of ascertaining whether circumstances which would justify regulatory action in pursuance of any enactment, as provided by s31(2)(c) of the FOI Act.

The Commission administers a registration function, as set out by the Political Parties, Elections and Referendums Act 2000. The information you have requested is currently under consideration as to whether the party in question will be registered, or the application rejected. Disclosure of a document currently under consideration as part of our registration function would in our view be likely to prejudice the exercise of that function, which involves deciding between two regulatory actions in pursuance of the Political Parties Elections and Referendums Act 2000.

Public interest test

Application of the section 31 exemption is subject to the public interest test. There are a number of factors that must be weighed in the balance to consider whether the public interest in applying the exemption outweighs the public interest in disclosure.

The factors we have considered are set out below.

Public interest factors in favour of disclosure

The Commission recognises that with regard to the disclosure of information generally, there should be a presumption in favour of disclosure. We also recognise that there is a general public interest in promoting transparency, accountability, public understanding and involvement in the democratic process. Flowing from that general public interest, there is a legitimate public interest in promoting public understanding of the decisions we make as a regulator.

The Commission aims to be robust and fair in its regulatory decisions. These are matters we acknowledge and take into account, including when deciding whether to disclose information, whilst ensuring proper regulation of party political funding. For that reason, we have made public through our website that an application has been received, and made available the descriptions and emblems that the party seeks to register. We do this so that the public can provide comments and views on those specific parts of the application, because views on whether any of these are likely to cause confusion, one of the statutory tests, are relevant factors which we take into account. No such factors apply to a proposed constitution or financial scheme, or correspondence that is relevant to our decision making.

We will also make public our decision on this application, and if it is registered the party's registered details will be published. Although we do not publish constitutions or financial scheme we will likely, if asked, disclose the constitution, financial scheme or correspondence factored in decision making in relation to an application that is not currently under consideration.

Public interest factors in favour of applying the exemption

The public interest also lies in enabling the Commission to conduct its regulatory functions effectively and efficiently.

Disclosure of a constitution or financial scheme or relevant correspondence (and the Commission discloses information on its website to the public, not just to the particular requester) under consideration may in our view lead to public debate and speculation unhelpful to the decision making process. It may also create confusion for the public as to whether the party is in fact registered or not, or as to what is in fact the correct constitution or financial scheme of the party, should it be registered. The constitution and financial scheme we currently hold may be rejected, or we may make recommendations for changes to be made to these documents in order for them to be compliant.

Releasing information whilst we are making a decision could also create a precedent on the release of information or impair the Commission's ability to obtain information in the future, which in turn may adversely affect the Electoral Commission's proper functioning. There is also a risk that prospective parties will be less likely to seek to register if they believe documentation submitted for consideration or correspondence will be made public and be discouraged from political activity.

Balance of the public interest

We consider that the balance of public interest in this case lies on the one hand in carrying out our regulatory functions in an open and transparent way, and in promoting public understanding of the decisions we make as a regulator; and on the other in our ability to conduct our regulatory work effectively and efficiently, in a way that gives the public clarity as to the status of an application.

We consider that the public interest in carrying out our regulatory functions in an open and transparent way, and in promoting public understanding of the decisions we make as a regulator was met in part by our publishing through our website that an application had been received, and made available the descriptions and emblems that the party seeks to register, and will be further met by the fact that we will also make public the outcome of our consideration.

We do not consider that disclosure of the specific constitution and financial scheme in this case would add to any degree to carrying out our regulatory functions in an open and transparent way, and in promoting public understanding of the decisions we make as a regulator.

Having carefully weighed the public interest relating to possible disclosure of the information requested under Section 31(1)(g) we are satisfied that it is not appropriate at this time to disclose some of the information which the Commission holds. The Commission is satisfied that maintaining the exemption outweighs the public interest in disclosure. As noted above, we will likely disclose the exempted constitution and financial scheme relating to the party after a decision has been taken, if the information was requested under the FOI Act.

We also consider some information contained in correspondence exempt from disclosure under Section 31(1)(a) of the FOIA.

Exemption: Section 31(1)(a) Freedom of Information Act 2000

Section 31(1)(a) exempts from disclosure information that would or would be likely to prejudice the detection and prevention of crime. Section 31(1)(a) can apply to information on general policies and methods adopted by law enforcement agencies. As you will see, the Commission was contacted by the Home Office in relation to this application. We are disclosing the correspondence but we have redacted some information because we consider that it relates to general policies and methods adopted by law enforcement agencies. Disclosure of information that would directly identity the law enforcement agencies would, in our view, be likely to prejudice the exercise of the functions of those agencies, which involves the prevention and detection of crime.

Public interest test

Application of the section 31 exemption is subject to the public interest test. There are a number of factors that must be weighed in the balance to consider whether the public interest in applying the exemption outweighs the public interest in disclosure.

The factors we have considered are set out below.

Public interest factors in favour of disclosure

The Commission recognises that with regard to the disclosure of information generally, there should be a presumption in favour of disclosure. We also recognise that there is a general public interest in promoting transparency, accountability, public understanding and involvement in the democratic process. Flowing from that general public interest, there is a legitimate public interest in promoting public understanding of the decisions we make as a regulator.

Public interest factors in favour of applying the exemption

The public interest also lies in enabling law enforcement agencies to conduct their regulatory functions effectively and efficiently.

Disclosure of information that would make public policies and methods adopted by law enforcement agencies could inhibit the ability of an agency to conduct their functions effectively and impact on the prevention and detection of crime.

Balance of the public interest

We consider that the balance of public interest in this case lies on the one hand in carrying out our regulatory functions in an open and transparent way, and in promoting public understanding of the decisions we make as a regulator; and on the other in the ability of law enforcement agencies to conduct regulatory work effectively and efficiently.

We consider that the public interest in carrying out our regulatory functions in an open and transparent way, and in promoting public understanding of the decisions we make as a regulator was met in part by our publishing through our website that an application had been received, and made available the descriptions and emblems that the party seeks to register, and will be further met by the fact that we will also make public the outcome of our consideration.

We consider that the public interest was also met in ensuring that law enforcement agencies can conduct their work effectively and efficiently, without disclosure of information prejudicing the policies and methods adopted by them.

Having carefully weighed the public interest relating to possible disclosure of the information requested under Section 31(1)(a) we are satisfied that it is not appropriate at this time to disclose the relevant information which the Commission holds. The Commission is satisfied that maintaining the exemption outweighs the public interest in disclosure.

Anew UK

We hold application documentation, correspondence and internal discussion notes that are covered by the scope of the request. As a decision has now been taken on this application, we have released correspondence and application documentation relating to this party in our response. Some of the information has been redacted, in line with the principles of personal data that are outlined above. We consider internal discussion notes exempt from disclosure under Section 42(1) of the FOIA.

Exemption: Section 42(1) Freedom of Information Act 2000

Some of the information you have requested includes legal advice. For the reasons set out below, the Commission considers that legal advice is exempt from disclosure under section 42 of the Freedom of Information Act 2000, and we are withholding this information from release. Section 42(1) provides for exemption from disclosure information that is privileged under legal professional privilege. The requested information being withheld from disclosure under section 42 constitutes legal advice relating to this matter; it is legally privileged communications and advice provided by legal advisors.

Public interest test

Application of this exemption is subject to the public interest test. There are a number of factors that must be weighed in the balance to consider whether the public interest in applying the exemption outweighs the public interest in disclosure.

The factors we have considered are set out below.

Public interest factors in favour of disclosure

The Commission recognises that with regard to the disclosure of information generally, there should be a presumption in favour of disclosure. We also recognise that there is a general public interest in promoting transparency, accountability, public understanding and involvement in the democratic process. Flowing from that general public interest, there is a legitimate public interest in our carrying out our registration process in an open and transparent way, and in promoting public understanding of the decisions we make as a regulator.

Public interest factors in favour of applying the exemption

The public interest also lies in enabling the Commission to obtain confidential legal advice in order to make registration decisions based on a firm legal basis. A client's ability to speak freely and frankly with their legal adviser in order to obtain appropriate legal advice is a fundamental requirement of the English legal system. The concept of legal professional privilege protects the confidentiality of communications between a lawyer and client and safeguarding openness in those communications ensures access to full and frank legal advice.

Balance of the public interest

Having carefully weighed the public interest relating to possible disclosure of the information requested under s 42(1), we are satisfied that it is not appropriate at this time to disclose the information that the Commission holds, given in particular that the general public interest inherent in applying the exemption will always be strong, and that the information concerns matters that are of ongoing relevance.

British Revival Party

We hold application documentation and correspondence that are covered by the scope of the request. As this application was closed without a decision being taken, we have disclosed all of this information to you in our response.

We hold the information you have requested and enclose a copy of email correspondence. Please see attached, you will notice that certain personal details have been redacted from the documents we are releasing.

Section 40(2) of the Freedom of Information Act provides for an exemption where the information requested constitutes personal data, as defined by the Data Protection Act 2018 (DPA), and where release of the information requested would breach one of the data protection principles. Some of the information contained in the document falls within this description of personal data because it relates directly to an identifiable living individual. This includes names and contact details of individuals in some instances. Additionally, in some cases the individuals are junior staff members, and they would not reasonably expect their information to be released.

The Commission strives to be an open, transparent authority and I trust that this information satisfies your request. If you are not satisfied with this response, please note that the Commission operates a review procedure, details of which can be found on the Commission website at: https://www.electoralcommission.org.uk/freedom-information/make-a-freedom-information-request.

Please also note that if you have exhausted all internal Commission review procedures and you are still not satisfied you have the right to appeal to the Information Commissioner. Details of this procedure can be found on the ICO website: https://ico.org.uk.

Yours sincerely

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ANEW UK Loyalty, Integrity, Sovereignty Constitution

1. Name

The name of the organisation will be "Anew UK – Loyalty, Integrity, Sovereignty" or any other descriptions registered with the Electoral Commission.

2. Aims and Objectives:

- 1. To ensure fairness in all aspects of our society.
- 2. To regain our full sovereignty.

3. Core Management Team

- 1. The Core Management Team (CMT) is comprised of the officers of the Party & any co-opted members. The Party Officers will be:
 - 1.1 The Leader is the Leader of the Party and responsible for political campaigning. In the event of the post of Treasurer falling vacant the Leader will act as Treasurer until a replacement Treasurer has been registered. The Leader is ultimately responsible for ensuring the Party complies with all relevant statutes, laws, and regulations.
 - 1.2 The Chairman (non-gender specific utilisation of the word) is responsible for the procedures of the Party including the agenda & chairing of official Party meetings.
 - 1.3 The Secretary is responsible for keeping the official record of meetings including agenda's, minutes, and resolutions.
 - 1.4 The Treasurer is responsible for financial matters and maintaining the solvency of the party. The Treasurer is responsible for the submission of all statutory financial returns to the Electoral Commission and any other regulatory or taxation bodies. The Treasurer is responsible for ensuring compliance with the provisions of Parts 3, 4 and 4A of The Political Parties, Elections and Referendums Act 2000 (accounting requirements and control of donations, loans, and certain other transactions).
 - 1.5 The Deputy Leader is responsible for deputising for the Leader in all aspects of this role, in their absence.
 - 1.6 The Nominating Officer is responsible for running internal party elections and managing candidates and campaigns during elections (official responsibilities outlined in the Political Parties, Elections and Referendums Act 2000 and any other relevant legislation.)
 - 1.7 The Nominating Officer is responsible for
 - a) The submission by representatives of the party of lists of candidates for the purposes of elections
 - b) The issue of such certificates as are required under The Political Parties, Elections and Representations Act 2000.
 - c) The approval of descriptions and emblems used on nominations and ballot papers at elections.

- 2. The Officers can co-opt up to 5 additional members of the CMT. Co-option of additional members requires a unanimous vote of approval from all the CMT officers.
- 3. Additional duties of officers and additional members will be defined by the CMT.
- 4. If an officer of the party or additional member of the CMT is convicted of an offence preventing them from acting as Treasurer of the party under The Political Parties, Elections and Referendums Act 2000 they will cease their membership of the CMT and any associated role or duties with immediate effect.
- 5. The CMT will be the organisation's administrative authority and responsible for its organisation and management.
- 6. CMT meetings will take place at least four times a year. The agenda for each meeting will be determined by the Chairman and these and the previous minutes will be circulated to all members at least 48 hours in advance of the meeting. Any member of the CMT can request that an item is included on the agenda, or a change made to the minutes, but inclusion of an item for discussion is at the sole discretion of the Chairman.
- 7. A CMT meeting will not be valid unless all of the officers have been invited and at least 3 are in attendance. This will be the quorum. Either the Chairman must be present, or they must nominate another member of the CMT to chair the meeting. Either the Secretary must be present, or someone must be assigned to record the minutes.
- 8. The CMT will adhere to the Party's Aims and Objectives, and any Key Policy Objectives passed by a General Meeting.
- 9. Meetings can be held in person or remotely.
- 10. No member of the CMT shall receive any salary or wage from the organisation. They may be reimbursed for reasonable expenses incurred in carrying out their duties.
- 11. A written record of all meetings and decisions reached will be retained for 7 years and be available to all which will ensure openness, transparency, and honesty within the Party.

4. Appointment of Officers

- 1. No less frequent than every four years, the CMT will be elected comprising the Officers of the Organisation. Any prospective officer may only hold one post in the CMT.
- 2. All party members with voting rights will be invited to vote on their choice of party officer for each role candidates stand for. If the number of votes is equal for two or more candidates, then the Chairman will have a casting vote.
- 3. All officers, excluding the Chairman, have one member vote.
- 4. If any officer of the party leaves their position, the CMT will appoint a temporary replacement within 10 days and the Party will elect a new Officer within 21 days.
- 5. A CMT officer or co-opted member may be removed by a no confidence resolution passed by more than two-thirds of the Members voting at a General Meeting.

5. Meetings

- 1. There will be an Annual General Meeting (AGM) to conduct routine business.
- 2. An Ordinary General Meeting (OGM) will be held when necessary to adopt policy.
- 3. The Chairman may call an Extraordinary General Meeting (EGM) if, considering the circumstances, it seems reasonable to do so.
- 4. All fully paid-up Members will be invited to all General Meetings at which each will have one vote. The agenda for all General Meetings is determined by the Chairman but must include any items for inclusion agreed by the CMT. Members can request items be included on an agenda for a General Meeting, but inclusion is at the discretion of the Chairman. Members who are unable to attend will be able to vote by proxy on instruction to the Chairman of the meeting. The Chairman will have a casting vote in addition to an ordinary vote.
- 5. Notice of a General Meeting must be sent to Members six weeks before the date of the Meeting. Agenda and details of any nominations for posts of CMT Officers must be sent to Members three weeks before the date of the meeting.
- 6. Meetings can be held in person or remotely.

6. Membership

- 1. Members are required to be of legal voting age for Great Britain and Northern Ireland on the date of joining and be registered on the electoral roll.
- 2. An individual applying to join the Party will be required to pay a membership fee based on the published joining fee at the time of application.
- 3. Any new member (or member who has left the party and wishes to return) will receive voting rights after consecutive membership of six months.
- 4. All fully paid -up members with voting rights are eligible to apply to be an Officer when a position becomes available.
- 5. Non-payment of member's fees will result in membership being suspended and voting rights lost until paid in full. Such members may be removed from the register of members after one month and once removed would need to re-apply to join the party.
- 6. A two-thirds majority of the CMT will require any member to be expelled (or have their application rejected) from the Party for reasons including but not limited to:
 - a) Their application containing falsehoods.
 - b) Their actions deemed to bring (or have brought) the Party into disrepute.
 - c) A breach of the Membership Rules or Code of Conduct for Members.

In such cases the CMT's decision will be final. Expelled members will not be allowed to re-join the party.

7. Financial Scheme

A financial scheme for Great Britain has been adopted and registered with the Electoral Commission. Administration and management of the scheme will be the responsibility of the Party Treasurer. The

organisation will operate as one accounting unit with one bank account. All funds received will be paid into that dedicated bank account and all payments will be made from the same bank account. The organisation will adhere to all prevailing regulations and Electoral Commission guidance in respect of accounting for and declaring loans, donations, and membership subscriptions. The organisation will adhere to prevailing best practice in respect of payment of suppliers. Any taxes due will be paid to the relevant statutory authorities by the due date.

8. Documentation

The scope and responsibility for Party documentation is as follows:

- This Constitution lays out the structure and governance of the Party and may only be changed by a General Meeting of the Party.
- 2. Membership Rules & Code of Conduct for Members set out additional details not in this constitution relating to the procedure & rules for: becoming a member, for cessation of membership, and for the orderly conduct of members. These may be changed by the CMT but must be approved yearly by a General Meeting.
- 3. Policy Documents develop political policy in pursuance of the aims and objectives of the Party. The development and implementation of these policy documents is the responsibility of the party Leader, but changes must be approved by a General Meeting.
- 4. Standing Orders outline rules for orderly meetings of the party which may be amended at the start of a meeting by a simple majority. Development of these changes are the responsibility of the Chairman.

All paid up members are entitled to view a current copy of the above documentation.

9. General Points

- 1. Anew UK will carry out the lawful requirements of the Electoral Commission.
- 2. Anew UK will via a stringent selection process aim to stand candidates at local and general elections.
- 3. Amendments to Clauses of this Constitution may be proposed by the CMT or by any Members at any time. Clauses will only be amended if the majority of Members voting at a General Meeting of the Party agree.
- 4. The Chairman shall have power to interpret the rules of this constitution should there be any dispute in its application and shall also have power to deal with any matter not provided for.

10. Dissolution of the Party

The Party may be dissolved if a simple majority of members as well as a majority of the CMT make clear their wish to dissolve the Party. Any assets belonging to the Party at the time of dissolution will be donated to registered charities or other Not for Profit organisations as chosen by the CMT.

Subject Anew UK - Registration application - FURTHER INFO NEEDED CCM:0594669

Dear Jane Hill.

I hope this email finds you well. I am writing to you seeking further information in relation to your application to register Anew UK.

During our assessment of your party constitution we noticed a potential discrepancy between your proposed officer configuration and certain clauses in the constitution. We are seeking further information on this point.

Your proposed officers are:

Leader: Jane Hill Treasurer: Jane Hill

Nominating officer: Richard Hill

Clause 4.1 of your constitution sets out that 'Any prospective officer may only hold one post in the CMT.'

Could you clarify the party's interpretation of this clause and how it relates to your proposed officer roles, as both Leader and Treasurer sit on the CMT as set out in clauses 1.1 and 1.4.

In the interest of resolving your party's application as soon as possible, could I ask for a response from you within the next week and no later than Friday 23 June?

Kind regards,



The Electoral Commission

<u>electoralcommission.org.uk</u>

Regarding = 2023-04-21 Anew UK - RP1

Owner



Subject RE: Anew UK - Receipt of application CCM:0594509

Good afternoon Jane.

We confirm receipt of your application to register Anew UK on 21 April 2023

We will now assess your application against the requirements of the Political Parties, Elections and Referendums Act 2000 (PPERA). At this point we cannot confirm whether or not the application will be approved.

Next steps

We will publish the details of your application shortly on our '<u>Current Applications</u>' page for public comment.

The Registration Team will assess your application against the PPERA requirements and put it to our internal Approvals Board. This Board is chaired by the Director of Regulation who takes the final decision.

We aim to process applications as quickly as possible, and we will notify you once we have made a decision.

We may write to you during the assessment process seeking further information from you about the application.

Otherwise, we will contact you again once we have made a decision. In the meantime, you can find guidance in relation to registering and maintaining a party on our website.

Kind regards,



The Electoral Commission electoral commission.org.uk

From: Partyreg

Sent: 21 April 2023 4:07 PM

To:

Cc:

Subject: Anew UK - Receipt of application - FURTHER INFO NEEDED CCM:0594508

Dear Jane Hill,

We confirm receipt of your application to register Anew UK on 21 April 2023.

We have put your application on hold until 28 April 2023 whilst you review the matters for consideration.

Matters for consideration

The following matters were identified from an initial check of your application and you have an opportunity to address them before the application is

assessed. We may identify further matters as part of an assessment. We cannot confirm if an applications is successful until we take a final decision.

It is your responsibility to determine the details of your application and to ensure that it complies with the requirements of the Political Parties, Elections and Referendums Act 2000 (PPERA).

Financial scheme

Pursuant to section 26(1) of the Political Parties, Elections & Referendums Act (PPERA) a party may not be registered unless it has adopted a scheme which "sets out the arrangements for regulating the financial affairs of the party for the purposes of [PPERA]." By law, therefore, applicants must give us a financial scheme that is accurate and consistent with the party's constitution, and must have adopted its scheme.

You have applied to register a campaigns officer. At certain elections, a campaigns officer takes over the responsibility for campaign expenditure reporting from the treasurer. This is not a required officer role and a campaigns officer has no role at local council elections.

Your scheme must reflect that you have a campaigns officer, and should refer to them by name specifically at section 1.16 if you are using our draft template.

To rectify this, you can either amend your financial scheme to include the name of your party's proposed campaigns officer where relevant. Or you can proceed without registering with a campaigns officer.

Please note: A registered campaigns officer has specific legal and financial duties, and should not be confused with the role of a campaigns manager, or someone in charge of formulating election strategy, campaign organisation etc. If the strategy is intending to do a role akin to this, I would advise she does not need to be registered as a campaigns officer with us.

Unless this issue is resolved, the application may be refused.

Constitution

By law, when a party applies to be registered it must give us a copy of its constitution. Section 26(9) of PPERA defines a constitution as "the document or documents (of whatever name) by which the structure and organisation of

the party is determined." A constitution must accurately determine the party's structure and organisation.

My initial view is that the constitution that you have provided does not adequately show the structure and organisation of the party.

The constitution must also be consistent with the party's financial scheme – there is no reference to the role of campaigns officer that you have applied for, which we would expect to see, with the appropriate duties listed out. As mentioned above, you may wish to remove as a registered officer and thus negate this particular issue. Outside of the registered roles of Leader, Treasurer and Nominating Officer, we do not require these roles to be registered and does not affect role as a campaigns manager should that be how you envisage her role.

Unless this issue is resolved, the application may be refused.

Descriptions

As explained in our previous phone call, party descriptions must identify the party as they can be used as a substitute to the party name in some elections. The 4 you have submitted do not identify your party and on a ballot paper would read like:

John Smith

Together we start again

I would suggest that the inclusion of your party name alongside these statements would negate the issue of your party not being identified, similarly to how you have amended your emblems.

Please note: This is not to guarantee they would be acceptable, simply that this would negate that particular issue.

Next steps

Should you wish to amend your application please do so as soon as possible and no later than 28 April 2023. If you would like to amend your application online then please let us know.

Any changes to the application must be authorised by all party officers. After that date, we will review your application and any further material provided by you. If your application is incomplete, it may be refused at this point.

If we are satisfied that the application is complete, we will publish the details of your application shortly on our 'Current Applications' page of our website

for public comment. We will then proceed to assess your application and put it to our internal Approvals Board. This Board is chaired by the Director of Regulation who takes the final decision on an application.

We aim to process applications as quickly as possible, and we will notify you once we have made a decision. We do not currently consider your application to be complete and compliant. Please get in touch if you have any further queries about this message. You can find guidance in relation to registering and maintaining a party on our website here.

Kind regards,



The Electoral Commission

electoralcommission.org.uk

Regarding

2023-04-21 Anew UK - RP1

Financial Scheme Anew UK

Introduction

This scheme sets out how Anew UK ('the party') will organise its financial affairs to comply with the Political Parties, Elections and Referendums Act 2000 ('the Act').

Constitution

A copy of Anew UK's constitution, setting out our structure and organisation, and how we take decisions about the management of the party, is attached to this scheme or has been provided separately to the Electoral Commission.

Accounting Units

Anew UK does not wish to register any separate accounting units with the Commission.

Organisations Within the Party

For the purpose of compliance with the Act, the financial affairs of any local branches or affiliated organisations of the party, whether currently existing or to be established in future, will be wholly controlled by the party treasurer.

Financial Year

The party's financial year will run from 1 January to 31 December.

Role of the Party Treasurer

Jane Hill, the registered treasurer of Anew UK is responsible for the whole party's compliance with the requirements of the Act, including the following:

Annual Accounts

Anew UK will submit our annual statement of accounts to the Commission by the required date, being 30 April of the year following the end of the financial year if both our expenditure and income are under £250,000 in that year, or 7 July of the year following the end of our financial year if either our expenditure or income exceeds £250,000 in that year. We understand that if our income or expenditure exceeds £250,000 our accounts must be submitted with an auditor's certificate.

In order to comply with this requirement, Jane Hill has:

- put in place arrangements for ensuring that annual statements of accounts for the party are prepared, approved, audited where necessary and submitted to the Commission by the prescribed deadline for each register the party is on
- put in place accounting processes capable of meeting the Act's accounting record keeping requirements and of any regulations made by the Commission about the format of statements of accounts

Donations and Loans (regulated transactions)

Anew UK will report the donations and loans it receives each quarter to the Commission, for each of the registers it is registered on, within the following timescales:

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Quarter 2 (1 April – 30 June) by 30 July of that year

Quarter 3 (1 July – 30 September) by 30 October of that year

Quarter 4 (1 October – 31 December) by 30 January of the following year

In order to comply with this requirement, Jane Hill will for donations record information for all donations of more than £500, including:

- amount or value of the donation
- full name of donor
- registered address of donor
- company registration number (if applicable)
- date on which the donation was received
- date on which the donation was accepted or returned
- information about the trust (if applicable)
- check the permissibility of any donations over £500 within 30 days of receipt
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- ensure that a submission of quarterly donation reports covering donations exceeding £7,500 (including aggregates of donations and regulated transactions) and any impermissible or anonymous donations of more than £500 is made to the Commission within the above timescales; submitting a nil return if there are no reportable donations
- provide weekly donation reports to the Commission during UK Parliamentary election campaigns if we are contesting the election

We understand that if we submit four consecutive quarterly nil donation returns, we will then be exempt from submitting further quarterly returns in respect of donations until we receive a reportable donation.

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If the party participates in a referendum to which Part VII of the Act applies, Anew UK will develop and put in place arrangements for complying with the controls on referendum expenditure. We will do this by adapting our arrangements for the control of campaign expenditure.

Grants

Anew UK will ensure that any grants from the Commission to the party are spent in accordance with the conditions of grant imposed by the Commission. We agree to cooperate with any associated audit requirements specified by the Commission.

Changes to Registered Details

Anew UK will ensure that the party's details that are registered with the Commission are kept up to date. We will inform the Commission of any changes to registered officers within 14 days of the change and any other changes within 28 days.

We will ensure that our RP8 annual confirmation of registered details and £25 fee are submitted to the Commission with the annual statement of accounts by 30 April of the following year (if our expenditure or income is less than £250,000) or by 7 July of the following year (if our expenditure or income exceeds £250,000).

We note that failure to submit our RP8 annual confirmation of registered details within the prescribed timescale will result in our statutory removal from the register of political parties. We understand that this would mean that the party would no longer be able to field candidates at elections under the party name.

Penalties and Offences

Anew UK understands that the Commission may impose civil penalties on parties that fail to comply with their legal obligations, including failures to submit statutory returns on time. The party also understands that failure to comply with certain legal requirements of being a registered political party is a criminal offence.

Role of Other Party Officers

Should the appointment of the registered party treasurer terminate for any reason, then the registered party leader will, until a new treasurer is appointed, be treated as the party treasurer and will be responsible for ensuring that the party complies with its legal obligations.

Should the treasurer whose appointment is terminated also be party leader, then the nominating officer will, until a new treasurer is appointed, be treated as the party treasurer.

Should the treasurer whose appointment is terminated also be party leader and nominating officer, then the other registered officer will, until a new treasurer is appointed, be treated as the party treasurer.

Promoting Compliance with the Act

The Party will have processes in place to ensure compliance with its legal obligations. The registered treasurer, Jane Hill will ensure that the registered leader and all other officers and members of Anew UK have sufficient knowledge of our financial obligations under the Act to ensure that the party as a whole complies with these obligations.

Amendments to the Financial Scheme

The registered treasurer, Jane Hill, will ensure that any proposed amendments to this financial scheme are submitted to the Commission for approval.

Full Name and signature: Jane Rosemary Hill



Role: Leader and Treasurer Dated: 10 January 2023

Full Name and signature: Richard John Charles Hill



Role: Nominating Officer
Dated: 10 January 2023

Application to register a political party in Great Britain



This application was submitted electronically to the Electoral Commission on 21/04/2023 at 17:06:13. PEF Online reference: 15203

Declaration
The party named below is applying to be a registered party in accordance with the requirements of Part II of the Political Parties, Elections and Referendums Act 2000.
I declare that Anew UK intends to contest one or more relevant elections in Great Britain (which will not be confined to parish (England) or community (Wales) elections) and is accordingly applying to be registered in the following part(s) of the Great Britain register:
England Y Scotland Y Wales Y
Parliamentary election status
Exempt from UK parliamentary elections N
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Signatures
Proposed registered party leader
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Signed	
Printed name Mr R	cichard Hill Date
	dd mm yyyy
Deputy Nominating	Officer
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Deputy Treasurer	
	accepted the position of Deputy Treasurer and confirm that I have not been nce in connection with a relevant election or referendum at any time in the past five
Signed	
Printed name	Date dd mm yyyy
For electoral commissi	ion use
Data of receipt	Charled by
Date of receipt do	d mm yyyy
Party name	
Primary name	Anew UK
Timary name	
	Language English
Secondary name	
	Language
English translation	

Address (party headquarters or for correspondence if no HQ)

Address	1a Rapleys Field
	Mill Lane
	Pirbright
Town	Woking
County	Surrey
Postcode	GU24 0LT
Country	United Kingdom
Telephone numb	per Extn
Fax number	
Email address	
Website address	
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Anew UK Emblem 2

Emblem Id

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Anew UK Emblem 3

Party officers		
Party Leader		
Title	Mrs	
First name(s)	Jane	

Surname	Hill	
Home address		
Telephone number	Extn	
Fax number		
Email address		
If leader for a particu	lar purpose, please specify	
Nominating Officer		
Title	Mr	
First name(s)	Richard	
Surname	Hill	
Home address		
Town		
Town County		
County		
County Postcode	Extn	
County Postcode Country	Extn	

Treasurer		
Title	Mrs	
First name(s)	Jane	
Surname	Hill	
Home address		
Town		
County		
Postcode		
Country		
Telephone number	Extn	
Fax number		
Email address		
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Deputy Nominating Title First name(s) Surname Home address Town County Postcode Country	Mr Richard	
Deputy Nominating Title First name(s) Surname Home address Town County Postcode	Mr Richard Hill	

Deputy Treasurer	
Title	
First name(s)	
Surname	
Home address	
Town	
County	
Postcode	
Country	
Telephone number	Extn
Fax number	
Email address	
Financial and organisa	ational information
Please enclose a chec	que made payable to The Electoral Commission for £150.00.
Copy of party's constit	tution enclosed? Yes No (tick as appropriate)
Copy of financial sche	eme enclosed? Yes No
Financial year end: 31	1/12
Declaration of assets	and liabilities
Y I declare that, relation to the	to the best of my knowledge and belief, the assets/liabilities condition is met in party [the total value of assets and total amount of liabilities held are £500 or less]

Please return the form to: Party and Election Finance The Electoral Commission 3 Bunhill Row London EC1Y 8YZ

Tel: 020 7271 0616 Fax: 020 7271 0505

Email: pef@electoralcommission.org.uk
Website: www.electoralcommission.org.uk

 From:
 Louise Edwards

 To:
 Louise Edwards

 Subject:
 RE: Homeland

 Date:
 26 April 2023 14:21:57

Thanks for talking to him, doesn't sound like they're expecting anything further from us then. Interested to see if they have any intel on how the group might apply if not under the Homeland banner.

From: Louise Edwards @electoralcommission.org.uk>

Sent: 26 April 2023 1:30 PM

To: @electoralcommission.org.uk>

Subject: FW: Homeland

Hi

I spoke to given. He's been in the unit for around six months and hadn't been given any kind of briefing on our role, so we started from first principles. Once I'd explained how our role as registrar worked, he understood immediately that the concept of an 'application by stealth' doesn't make any sense.

agreed that if through their work they get any relevant intel about the group or the way in which they might be applying to us, he'll let me know.

Thanks

Louise

@homeoffice.gov.uk>

Sent: Tuesday, April 25, 2023 4:50 PM

To: Louise Edwards @electoralcommission.org.uk>;

@electoralcommission.org.uk>

Subject: RE: Homeland

Thanks Louise,

I'm free any time after 13:00 if that would work?

Kind regards,



From: Louise Edwards @electoralcommission.org.uk> Sent: 25 April 2023 15:54 To: @homeoffice.gov.uk>; @electoralcommission.org.uk> Subject: RE: Homeland
Do you trust this email? This email originated from outside the Home Office, or came from a Home Office system that has not been certified. Please exercise caution before opening attachments or clicking on links within this email or any suspicious email, particularly from unknown senders.
Hi
I'm happy to have a conversation with you. I'm relatively free tomorrow afternoon if you want to arrange a call for then?
Kind regards
Louise
Louise Edwards (she/her) Director of Regulation
The Electoral Commission electoralcommission.org.uk
From: @homeoffice.gov.uk>
Sent: Tuesday, April 25, 2023 11:02 AM To: Louise Edwards @electoralcommission.org.uk>; @electoralcommission.org.uk> Subject: Homeland
Hi Louise,
I hope you're both well. I work in I believe you have previously engaged with my colleagues around and a new group being formed, Homeland, which has aspirations to political party status.
Would it be possible to have a chat with you about this please?
Kind regards,

From: To:

Subject: RE: Daily Record: "False" applications

Date: 25 April 2023 12:59:50

Patriotic Alternative

Patriotic Alternative has applied to be registered seven times: in October 2019, February 2020, October 2020, February 2021, February 2022, May 2022 and January 2023.

On the first and second applications, we were not satisfied that the party's submitted constitution and financial scheme met the requirements set out in law. We refused the party's third and fourth applications because the submitted constitution did not adhere to equalities law, in that it contained provisions that would indirectly discriminate against persons with protected characteristics from becoming members of the party. On the fifth, sixth and seventh applications, we were not satisfied that the party's submitted constitution and financial scheme met the requirements set out in law.



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From: @electoralcommission.org.uk>

Sent: 25 April 2023 12:28 PM

To: @electoralcommission.org.uk>

Subject: FW: Daily Record: 'False' applications

Importance: High



Could we have a quick chat on this query below (foot of e-mail). I can use most of the response you agreed with yesterday but there is a bit of a nuance to it.

Thanks



<u>@electoralcommission.org.uk</u>>

Sent: Tuesday, April 25, 2023 12:15 PM

To: <u>@electoralcommission.org.uk</u>>
Cc: <u>@electoralcommission.org.uk</u>>

Subject: RE: Daily Record: 'False' applications



This is what I went back with yesterday, but think it's worth flagging this query to and getting him to sign off on a slightly different answer as I don't have anything specific on the point that they will be changing officers etc.

Hope this helps.



Please find below some background information on this.

Homeland is not currently registered as a party with us, and we have not received an application to register a party under this name.

All applications to register a political party are subject to detailed assessment against the criteria set out in law, including on whether the party's application and identity marks met the criteria set out in electoral law, as well as legal obligations under equality laws. As part of this process, we assess whether the party's constitution and membership policy would breach equalities law.

If a party is registered with us, its entry can be found on the public registers of political parties. You can search for entries on the registers on <u>our website</u>. We also publish the details of applications which we are currently considering on <u>our website</u>, as well as the details of <u>our decisions</u> once they have been made.

For further context, an application to register a new political party must specify the names of the people the party intends to be registered as the party's officers. If the application is approved then the party officers' names will be listed on their entry on the register. However, party officers' names would not be publicly available during the assessment process as it is considered personal data.

There is more information about how political parties are registered on our website.

From: @electoralcommission.org.uk>
Sent: Tuesday, April 25, 2023 12:10 PM
To: @electoralcommission.org.uk>
Cc: @electoralcommission.org.uk>

Subject: FW: Daily Record: 'False' applications

Hi

This is from Scottish media but I think you were looking into an answer for this for another journalist yesterday? Did you get anywhere with that?

Thanks
From: Sent: Tuesday, April 25, 2023 12:07 PM To: Press < press@electoralcommission.org.uk > Subject: Daily Record: 'False' applications
Afternoon all,
from the Daily Record here - hope you're well. I'm getting in touch with regards to a recent report by anti-fascist researchers Red Flare into Homeland, a new political organisation linked to Patriotic Alternative. Recordings obtained by Red Flare, verified by the Daily Record, state that Homeland intends to register with the Electoral Commission under a fake name with "squeaky clean" officers in order to legitimise what is alleged to be a far-right fascist organisation with goals of political office. (Red Flare's report can be read here: https://redflare.info/Homeland_British_fascism_fractures-RF.pdf)
With regards to this - and by means of a general comment on applications in this vein: would such an application, in theory, be a breach of the rules on political party registration, and would it amount to a breach of the law?
Grateful for any assistance you can offer with my query for close of play today (Tuesday) for publication in a story tomorrow. Many thanks in advance - I'm on queries.
Kind regards,

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Daily Record

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The British Revival Party

The British Revival Party is a party born out of the suffering and injustices brought upon the British people. We deserve better. We deserve a government that understands us. Who knows firsthand what it's like to be a member of the British public. We have been failed time and time again by the ruling elite who claim to know what is best for us, but keep making our lives worse and worse. The economic crises of 2022 and 2023 were blatantly avoidable, not just from the standpoint of recent conservative governments, but from those who governed in the years following the financial crisis, those who took no action to bolster our fragile economy, even though the signs were clear.

It is plain to see that Brits have the ingenuity and skills it takes to make our country into a world power, but our governments have successively denied that right to us, for their own ends. For Britain to regain her place in the international community as a respectable global force, we need a government that is not a ruling class separate from the populace but is the populace. The British Revival Party is the phoenix that has risen from the ashes which is the state of today's government, ready to make the sensible decisions that no other party seems to want to make. This constitution will lay out our aims and objectives.

Core Values and Policies

Our main aim is to empower Britain – to empower every town and every county and every country in the union, to make the United Kingdom a global power again. We are unionists and prefer to solve the fluctuating desire for independence in Scotland by negotiating devolution and self-governance with people, not by cutting up the UK. We support greater ties with the commonwealth countries; more investment and reforms in the NHS; economics that allows new businesses and technologies to thrive, without putting pressure on the average person, and a strong and capable military.

The UK has many important issues currently (as of 2023), including but not limited to:

- A struggling economy (high inflation and low growth)
- A slowly failing health and social care system
- A barely capable military that is not what it once was
- Some Scottish desire for independence

We would jumpstart the economy with lower taxes on the average worker, investment and subsidies into green businesses and technologies (the British version of the USA's Inflation Reduction Act). We would fund this by increasing the Windfall tax on oil and gas giants, imposing taxes on multinational goliaths that do business here, closing tax loopholes (e.g. capital gains taxes are much lower than income tax), and cracking down on tax evasion. Our health and social care system evidently needs more investment to bring in more NHS healthcare staff, and staff in mental health facilities need to be more

properly vetted to avoid the disgusting mistreatment of patients we have seen all over the country in the past few years. The system is failing because people are overworked (leading to lower quality treatment for each patient), and do not get paid deserving of their efforts. We would bring in tax breaks for key workers, and eventually, after inflation subsides to its normal rate, bring in further income rises. Privatisation of the NHS is **not** an option and never should be, the reason it's struggling is not because of some systematic failure with public healthcare, but rather how the government has handled it in the years leading up to the COVID crisis.

On a local level, our party will provide adequate funds to support and prop up the community and local businesses. We will make sure our health and social care services truly <u>can</u> help in an emergency and can nurse back to health the ill in order to give families and communities a reprieve from the inadequacies of our struggling health service. We will make sure local transportation and communication infrastructure is up to speed and operating at maximum efficiency. Our utmost priority is to provide support for community-wide events and organizations, aiming to enhance the overall quality of our area for everyone, regardless of whether they opt to vote for us or not.

Party Operation

Needless to say, our party is somewhat minor and has very few current members – all of whom are presently volunteers. We have a nominated party leader, party treasurer, and nominating officer (all of which can be seen in our financial statement). We are not currently expecting any large donations or loans, but if we do, they will be much appreciated and properly declared by our treasurer. We operate both online and in person, meeting up at least twice a week on online communications services and having an annual conference at the HQ. We commonly have impromptu gatherings on important issues to make sure the party has a coordinated response to any vital matters. Important decisions are always decided democratically, with votes frequently being held.

Financial scheme

The British Revival Party

Introduction

1.1 This scheme sets out how The British Revival Party ('the party') will organise its financial affairs to comply with the Political arties, Elections and Referendums Act 2000 ('the Act').

1.2 Constitution

A copy of The British Revival Party's constitution, setting out our structure and organisation, and how we take decisions about the management of the party, is attached to this scheme or has been provided separately to the Electoral Commission.

Accounting units

1.3 The The British Revival Party does not wish to register any separate accounting units with the Commission.¹

Organisations within the party

1.4 For the purpose of compliance with the Act, the financial affairs of any local branches or affiliated organisations of the party, whether currently existing or to be established in future, will be wholly controlled by the party treasurer.

Financial year

1.5 The party's financial year will run from 1 January to 31 December.

Role of the party treasurer

1.6 the registered treasurer of The British Revival Party is responsible for the whole party's compliance with the requirements of the Act, including the following:

Annual accounts

1.7 The The British Revival Party will submit our annual statement of accounts to the Commission by the required date, being 30 April of the year following the end of the financial year if both our expenditure and income are under £250,000 in that year, or 7 July of the year following the end of our financial year if either our expenditure or income exceeds £250,000 in that year. We

¹ Please refer to sections 2.13 and 2.14 in our brief guide Registering a political party.

understand that if our income or expenditure exceeds £250,000 our accounts must be submitted with an auditor's certificate.

1.8 In order to comply with this requirement,

- put in place arrangements for ensuring that annual statements of accounts for the party are prepared, approved, audited where necessary and submitted to the Commission by the prescribed deadline for each register the party is on
- put in place accounting processes capable of meeting the Act's accounting record keeping requirements and of any regulations made by the Commission about the format of statements of accounts

Donations and Loans (regulated transactions)

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² More details can be found in our guidance documents by visiting our parties pages at: http://www.electoralcommission.org.uk/guidance/those-we-regulate/register-a-new-party ³ See above. ⁴ See above.

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- 1.20 We will ensure that our RP8 annual confirmation of registered details and £25 fee are submitted to the Commission with the annual statement of accounts by 30 April of the following year (if our expenditure or income is less than £250,000) or by 7 July of the following year (if our expenditure or income exceeds £250,000).
- 1.21 We note that failure to submit our RP8 annual confirmation of registered details within the prescribed timescale will result in our statutory removal from the register of political parties. We understand that this would mean that the party would no longer be able to field candidates at elections under the party name.

Penalties and offences

1.22 The British Revival Party understands that the Commission may impose civil penalties on parties that fail to comply with their legal obligations, including failures to submit statutory returns on time. The party also understands that failure to comply with certain legal requirements of being a registered political party is a criminal offence.

Role of other party officers

- 1.23 Should the appointment of the registered party treasurer terminate for any reason, then the registered party leader will, until a new treasurer is appointed, be treated as the party treasurer and will be responsible for ensuring that the party complies with its legal obligations.
- 1.24 Should the treasurer whose appointment is terminated also be party leader, then the nominating officer will, until a new treasurer is appointed, be treated as the party treasurer.
- 1.25 Should the treasurer whose appointment is terminated also be party leader and nominating officer, then the other registered officer will, until a new treasurer is appointed, be treated as the party treasurer.

Promoting compliance with the Act

1.26 The Party will have processes in place to ensure compliance with its legal obligations. The registered treasurer, will ensure that the registered leader and all other officers and members of The British Revival Party have sufficient knowledge of our financial obligations under the Act to ensure that the party as a whole complies with these obligations.

Amendments to the financial scheme

1.27 The registered treasurer, will ensure that any proposed amendments to this financial scheme are submitted to the Commission for approval.

Signed			
Leader:		Date:	4/27/2023
Treasurer:		Date:	4/27/2023
Nominating		Date.	
officer:		Date:	4/27/2023

Application to register a political party in Great Britain



This application was submitted electronically to the Electoral Commission on 28/04/2023 at 22:48:03. PEF Online reference: 17362

Declaration
The party named below is applying to be a registered party in accordance with the requirements of Part II of the Political Parties, Elections and Referendums Act 2000.
I declare that The British Revival Party intends to contest one or more relevant elections in Great Britain (which will not be confined to parish (England) or community (Wales) elections) and is accordingly applying to be registered in the following part(s) of the Great Britain register:
England Y Scotland N Wales N
Parliamentary election status
Exempt from UK parliamentary elections N
Signatures
Proposed registered party leader
I declare that I am authorised to sign this application on behalf of the above named party.
Officer sanctioned online - 28/04/2023 10:44 PM
Signed
Printed name Date dd mm yyyyy
Proposed registered party treasurer
I declare that I am authorised to sign this application on behalf of the above named party.
Officer sanctioned online - 28/04/2023 10:46 PM
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Printed name Date dd mm yyyy
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Party name		
Primary name	The British Revival Party	
	Language English	
Secondary name	Plaid y Diwygiad Prydeinig	
	Language Welsh	
English translation		
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Emblem Id

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Monochrome emblem



A shield featuring the Union Flag.

Emblem Id

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Monochrome emblem



The British flag in a shield with wings behind it.

Colour emblem



A shield featuring the Union Flag.

Colour emblem



The British flag in a shield with wings behind it.

Party descriptions

Description

Translation language

Translation

With the people, for the people.

Description	For the Britain we deserve.	
Translation language		
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Party officers		
Party Leader		
Title		
First name(s)		
Surname		
Home address		
Telephone number	Extn	
Fax number		
Email address		
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Nominating Officer		
Title		
First name(s)		
Surname		
Home address		
Town		
County		
Postcode		
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Financial and organisational information

Please enclose a cheque made payable to The	Electoral Commiss	ion for £150.00.	
Copy of party's constitution enclosed?	Yes	No	(tick as appropriate)
Copy of financial scheme enclosed?	Yes	No	
Financial year end: 31/12			
Declaration of assets and liabilities			
Y I declare that, to the best of my knowled relation to the party [the total value of as			
Please return the form to: Party and Election Finance The Electoral Commission 3 Bunhill Row London EC1Y 8YZ			
Tel: 020 7271 0616 Fax: 020 7271 0505 Email: pef@electoralcommission.org.uk Website: www.electoralcommission.org.uk			

E-mail

Homeland Party - ap...

Sent Date 15/05/2023 14:18

E-mail
From Partyreg Cc

To Bcc

Subject Homeland Party - application receipt CCM:0288379

We have receipt of your application to register Homeland and your payment of £150 on 8 May.

We will now assess your application against the requirements of the Political Parties, Elections and Referendums Act 2000 (PPERA). At this point we cannot confirm whether or not the application will be approved.

Next steps

We will publish the details of your application shortly on our 'Current Applications' page for public comment.

The Registration Team will assess your application against the PPERA requirements and put it to our internal Approvals Board. This Board is chaired by the Director of Regulation who takes the final decision.

We aim to process applications as quickly as possible, and we will notify you once we have made a decision.

We may write to you during the assessment process seeking further information from you about the application.

Otherwise, we will contact you again once we have made a decision. In the meantime, you can find guidance in relation to registering and maintaining a party on our website.

Yours sincerely,

The Electoral Commission electoralcommission.org.uk	
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National Conservatism Party

Constitution of the Party

Name and Objects of the Party

Name

1. The Party shall register as a political party with the Electoral Commission on the Great Britain register by the name of "National Conservatism Party" (hereafter the "Party") pursuant to Part II and Schedule 4 of the PPERA.

Objects

- 2.—(1) The objects of the Party are to act as a vanguard or spearhead or champion for—
 - (a) national conservatism by embracing and nurturing traditional values and culture;
 - (b) an economic model based on free enterprise and economic independence; rejecting globalisation and globalised economic institutions and multilateral trade institutions;
 - (c) a drive to Take Back Control of British institutions;
 - (d) Freedom of Speech including freedom to express gender critical beliefs;
 - (e) the Rule of Law;
 - (f) the Union of England, Wales, Scotland and Northern Ireland, while allowing each region of each devolved nation to choose;
 - (g) an IndyRef2: "Should Scottish Parliament Electoral Regions form an independent country?"; and the outcome based on the result for each region: regions voting to remain in the Union, to continue as a devolved nation; regions voting to leave the Union (by 50% + 1 of a region's total electorate, not only of those voting), to form an independent country;
 - (h) abolishing green taxes and investing in nuclear power stations, shale gas, North Sea oil & gas, Cumbria coking coal, hydrogen fuel-cell cars & hydrogen internal combustion engine commercial vehicles, hydrogen filling stations, and nuclear fusion including the International Thermonuclear Experimental Reactor & the Joint European Torus experiment;
 - (i) a Net-zero referendum: "Should UK abandon its Net-zero statutory target?";
 - (j) absolute legal, political and economic independence from the EU;
 - (k) the abrogation of the Withdrawal Treaty with EU including the Northern Ireland Protocol, under art 62 VCLT, citing EU's failure to negotiate an FTA and implement the Protocol in good faith, in breach of art 184 of Withdrawal Treaty;
 - (l) the abrogation of the Trade and Cooperation Agreement; an offer of a CETA-style FTA negotiated as between sovereign equals, failing which Australia-style arrangements; and FTAs with other countries including accession to the CPTPP; (m)a Norway-style fisheries agreement with the EU, negotiated as an independent coastal state controlling its exclusive economic zone; and the regeneration of the UK fishing industry;

- (n) an Australia-style points-based immigration system; an Australia-style plan for the navy to return people-smuggling boats from whence they came, preventing such migrants from landing on British soil and making asylum claims; and offshore processing of asylum seekers that do land in the UK;
- (o) inspiring children of disadvantaged backgrounds with help and support to raise attainment, not by promoting quotas and targets that may excuse lower attainment;
- (p) an Education Act stipulating a state school curriculum centred on maths, English, science and traditional history, with no decolonising the curriculum, and banning teaching of CRT, gender and race studies, prescriptive sex education; and empowering state school governing bodies, underpinned by parent engagement;
- (q) the right of parents to disclosure of sensitive personal data concerning their children and the right of parents and children that disclosure to third parties complies with the UK GDPR; and to oppose authoritarian interference in family life, like appointing "named persons" or vaccinating without parental consent;
- (r) a criminal law review: to oppose moves to make misogyny a hate crime or to extend the hate speech offence of inciting hatred, by conduct intended or likely to stir up hatred in the minds of others, against groups as a whole, to cover hatred on the grounds of sex (misogyny or misandry) or gender; to eliminate aggravating factors based on victims' characteristics; and to require crimes to be based on evidence, tested objectively, not on subjective perceptions of victims or others;
- (s) an equalities law review: to repeal the Equality Act 2010 including the Public Sector Equality Duty and Equality Impact Assessments; to abolish the Equality and Human Rights Commission, equalities & diversity quangos, equalities & diversity units and equalities & diversity training; and to promote meritocracy;
- (t) a human rights law review: to repeal Human Rights Act 1998 and denounce the European Convention on Human Rights under art 58; and to promote a Bill of Rights, reinforcing the supremacy of British courts by declaring decisions of the European Court of Human Rights are not common law based and are not binding;
- (u) transgender rights and women's rights, including women's rights to same-sex spaces; retaining current version of the Gender Recognition Act 2004, rejecting amendments to allow self-ID or to reduce the requirements for a GRC; and opposing attempts to broaden the meaning of "women" to include trans women without a GRC, or conflate gender (social construct) and sex (binary, immutable);
- (v) a Non-discrimination Act prohibiting only direct race and sex discrimination, requiring equal pay only for people doing the same jobs, and requiring disability accessibility for public places;
- (w) a referendum: "Should PR voting be adopted for UK general elections?";
- (x) withdrawing from the supranational UN Migration Pact on the grounds it is not compatible with national sovereignty, in common with, inter alia, Australia, Switzerland and United States;
- (y) curtailing FCDO's function of promoting sustainable global growth; and scrapping all but the most needful and compelling international aid, while the economy recovers from the pandemic.

(2) The objects of the Party are otherwise unrestricted.

Elections and Candidates

Elections

- **3.**—(1) The Party intends to contest one or more relevant elections (which will not be confined to one or more parish or community elections) in Great Britain only, and accordingly shall apply to be registered in the Great Britain register only.
- (2) The Party shall apply to be registered in the Great Britain register in respect of all types of elections in England, Scotland and Wales.

Candidates

4. The Party shall have in place a candidate selection policy that shall guide candidate approval and selection according to the type of election to be contested and shall set out the standards required of approved candidates and those standing for or holding elective office, and shall include sanctions for breaches, including removal from an approved list and removal of the Party whip.

Structure and Management of the Party

Structure

5. The Party shall be structured as an unincorporated association.

Management

- **6.**—(1) The Registered Officers of the Party are responsible for the management of the Party's business, namely to operate as a political party.
- (2) The Registered Officers' responsibilities include legal responsibility for the Party's records, accounts and performance, and they owe the following duties to the Party—
 - (a) duty to act within the powers vested in them from time to time;
 - (b) duty to promote the success of the Party;
 - (c) duty to exercise independent judgement;
 - (d) duty to exercise reasonable care, skill and diligence;
 - (e) duty to avoid conflicts of interest;
 - (f) duty not to accept benefits from third parties; and
 - (g) duty to declare interest in proposed transactions or arrangements.

Officers of the Party

Appointment

- 7.—(1) Any member of the Party who is willing to act as an officer of the Party, and is permitted by law to do so, may be appointed to be an officer of the Party—
 - (a) by a majority decision of the current officers of the Party.
- (2) For the avoidance of doubt, only registered members in good standing may be appointed as, and may serve as, an officer of the Party.

Registration

- **8.**—(1) The Party shall register the following officers ("Registered Officers") with the Electoral Commission—
 - (a) Party Leader,
 - (b) Nominating Officer;
 - (c) Treasurer;
 - but the person registered as Party Leader may also be registered as Nominating Officer or Treasurer (or both).
- (2) If the Party Leader is also registered as Nominating Officer or Treasurer (or both), the Party shall register the following additional officer(s) with the Commission—
 - (a) Members' Secretary.

Powers and Responsibilities

- 9.—(1) The responsibilities of the Registered Officers are as follows—
 - (a) for the Party Leader, Nominating Officer and Treasurer, as set out in section 24 of the PPERA, and
 - (b) for the Members' Secretary, to maintain the register of members of the Party and to administer the rules governing registered members.
- (2) For the avoidance of doubt, Registered Officers are not invested with powers nor charged with responsibilities beyond those expressly granted from time to time.

Remuneration and Expenses

10. Registered Officers shall have their remuneration and their expenses determined as the registered members shall decide from time to time.

Removal

11. A person ceases to be an officer of the Party—

- (a) as soon as notification is received by the Party from the officer of the Party that the officer is resigning as an officer of the Party, and such resignation has taken effect in accordance with its terms; or
- (b) forthwith upon written notification of termination of appointment as an officer of the Party duly given by the Party Leader.

Registered Members

Register of members

12. There shall be a register of members. Every person who agrees to become a registered member of the Party and whose name is entered in the register of members is a registered member.

Rules

13. The Party shall have rules governing registered members that make provision for eligibility, exclusion and revocation, and for the setting and payment of subscriptions.

Eligibility

14. A natural person who shares the core beliefs of the Party is eligible to have their name entered on the register of members provided they are not liable to exclusion or revocation and provided they pay their subscription in a timely manner.

Exclusion and revocation

15.—(1) The Members' Secretary shall be entitled to refuse to enter a person's name on the register of members, or to remove a person's name therefrom, if there are reasonable grounds for believing that it is in the best interests of the Party so to do.

(2) There shall be a right of appeal to the Party Leader against a decision of the Members' Secretary to exclude or revoke; the Party Leader's decision shall be final.

Subscriptions

16.—(1) The Party Leader in consultation with the Members' Secretary shall set the subscription payable by registered supporters for each calendar year or part thereof. (2) The annual subscription may be set at different rates for different categories of registered supporters.

Changes to the Constitution and Dissolution

Changes

17.—(1) The Constitution may be changed by a majority decision of the current officers of the Party.

Dissolution

- **18.**—(1) The Party shall apply to the Electoral Commission for removal from the register of political parties if it no longer intends to have any candidates at any relevant election, in accordance with the PPERA.
- (2) For ease of reference, it is duly noted that the PPERA provides as follows—

PPERA

"33 Party ceasing to be registered

- (1) Once a party is registered its entry may only be removed from the register in accordance with subsection (2) or (2A).
- (2) Where—
 - (a) a party applies to have its entry removed from the register, and
- (b) the application includes a declaration on behalf of the party that it does not intend to have any candidates at any relevant election, the commission shall remove the party's entry from the register."

Financial Scheme

Financial Scheme

19. The Party has adopted a Financial Scheme that sets out how the Party will organise its financial affairs to comply with the PPERA.

Equalities Law

Equalities law

20. The Constitution and the modus operandi of the Party shall comply with equalities law and shall not discriminate, harass or victimise someone because they have, or are perceived to have, a protected characteristic or because they are associated with someone who has a protected characteristic.

From:

Sent: 23 May 2023 19:19

To: PEFinbox

Subject: PEF ref 17383 & PEF ref 17384

On 22 May I submitted an application in respect of PEF ref 17383: NatCon Party. I did NOT pay £150 registration fee.

On 23 May I submitted an application in respect of PEF ref 17384: National Conservatism Party. I DID pay £150 registation fee.

I submitted 17383 before I realised that generally acronyms are unacceptable. Please delete that application from my online account.

After I realised my mistake, I submitted 17384 by way of correcting my mistake. Please progress application for National Conservatism Party.

Apologies for any inconvence.

Financial Scheme

National Conservatism Party

Introduction

1.1 The Financial Scheme (hereafter the "Scheme") sets out how the National Conservatism Party (hereafter the "Party") will organise its financial affairs to comply with the Political Parties, Elections and Referendums Act 2000 (hereafter the "Act").

Party's Constitution

1.2 A copy of the Party's Constitution (hereafter the "Constitution"), setting out the Party's structure and organisation, and how the Party takes decisions about the management of the Party, is attached to the Scheme or has been provided separately to the Electoral Commission (hereafter the "Commission").

Accounting units

1.3 The Party does not wish to register any separate accounting units with the Commission.¹

Organisations within the Party

1.4 For the purpose of compliance with the Act, the financial affairs of any local branches or affiliated organisations of the Party, whether currently existing or to be established in future, will be wholly controlled by the Party treasurer.

Financial year

1.5 The Party's financial year will run from 1 January to 31 December.

Role of the party treasurer

1.6 the registered treasurer of the Party is responsible for the whole Party's compliance with the requirements of the Act, including the following:

Annual accounts

1.7 The Party will submit the annual statement of accounts to the Commission by the required date, being 30 April of the year following the end of the financial year if both the expenditure and income are under £250,000 in that year, or 7 July of the year following the end of the financial year if either the expenditure or income exceeds £250,000 in that year. It is understood that

¹ Please refer to sections 2.13 and 2.14 in our brief guide Registering a political party.

if the income or expenditure exceeds £250,000 the accounts must be submitted with an auditor's certificate.

1.8 In order to comply with this requirement,

- put in place arrangements for ensuring that annual statements of accounts for the Party are prepared, approved, audited where necessary and submitted to the Commission by the prescribed deadline for each register the Party is on
- put in place accounting processes capable of meeting the Act's accounting record keeping requirements and of any regulations made by the Commission about the format of statements of accounts

Donations and Loans (regulated transactions)

- 1.9 The Party will report the donations and loans it receives each quarter to the Commission, for each of the registers it is registered on, within the following timescales:
- quarter 1 (1 January 31 March) by 30 April of that year
- quarter 2 (1 April 30 June) by 30 July of that year
- quarter 3 (1 July 30 September) by 30 October of that year
- quarter 4 (1 October 31 December) by 30 January of the following year

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For donations:

- record information for all donations of more than £500, including:
 - amount or value of the donation
 - full name of donor
 - registered address of donor
 - company registration number (if applicable)
 - date on which the donation was received
 - date on which the donation was accepted or returned
 - information about the trust (if applicable)²
- check the permissibility of any donations over £500 within 30 days of receipt³
- ensure that impermissible or unidentifiable donations of more than £500 to the Party are recorded as outlined above and returned to the sender or financial institution that transferred the money or, if that is not possible, surrender it to the Commission
- ensure that a submission of quarterly donation reports covering donations exceeding £7,500 (including aggregates of donations and regulated transactions) and any impermissible or anonymous donations of more than £500 is made to the Commission within the above timescales; submitting a nil return if there are no reportable donations⁴

² More details can be found in our guidance documents by visiting our parties pages at: http://www.electoralcommission.org.uk/guidance/those-we-regulate/register-a-new-party ³ See above.

⁴ See above.

- provide weekly donation reports to the Commission during UK
 Parliamentary election campaigns if the Party is contesting the election
- 1.11 It is understood that if the Party submits four consecutive quarterly nil donation returns, the Party will then be exempt from submitting further quarterly returns in respect of donations until the Party receives a reportable donation.
- 1.12 It is also understood that separate quarterly donation returns must be submitted if the Party appears on the Northern Ireland register of political parties.

For loans (regulated transactions):

- record information about all regulated transactions (loans, credit facilities, etc.) of more than £500, including:
 - value of benefit of the transaction
 - name of all authorised participants
 - registered addresses of participants
 - company registration number (if applicable)
 - nature of the transaction
 - date agreement entered
 - the terms of the transaction
- ensure that the Party does not enter into any regulated transactions over £500 with unauthorised participants
- ensure that a submission of quarterly transaction reports covering transactions exceeding £7,500 (including aggregates of donations and regulated transactions) and any void transactions or transactions of more than £500 entered into with an unauthorised participant is made to the Commission within the prescribed timescales; submitting a nil return if there are no reportable transactions
- ensure weekly regulated transaction reports can be submitted during UK Parliamentary election periods if the Party is contesting the election
- 1.13 It is understood that if the Party has submitted four consecutive quarterly nil loans returns, the Party will then be exempt from submitting further quarterly returns until the Party enters into a reportable loan.
- 1.14 It is also understood that separate quarterly loan returns must be submitted if the Party appears on the Northern Ireland register of political parties.

Campaign expenditure

1.15 The Party will submit a campaign expenditure return if the Party has candidates contesting a UK Parliamentary election, European election, Scottish Parliamentary election, National Assembly of Wales election, or Northern Ireland Assembly election. The campaign expenditure return will be submitted within three months of the date of the election if the expenditure is less than £250,000 or within six months of the date of the election if the

expenditure exceeds £250,000. It is noted that if the expenditure during the campaign exceeds £250,000 the return must be submitted with an auditor's certificate.

1.16 In order to ensure compliance with the legislation, will:

- ensure that campaign expenditure and claims payments are duly authorised, received and paid on time and that all relevant receipts and invoices are kept
- put in place budgeting and monitoring arrangements to ensure that campaign expenditure is within the statutory limits
- ensure the compilation, auditing (if necessary) and timely submission to the Commission of a campaign expenditure return within the statutory deadlines

Referendums

1.17 If the Party participates in a referendum to which Part VII of the Act applies, the Party will develop and put in place arrangements for complying with the controls on referendum expenditure. The Party will do this by adapting the arrangements for the control of campaign expenditure.

Grants

1.18 The Party will ensure that any grants from the Commission to the Party are spent in accordance with the conditions of grant imposed by the Commission. The party agrees to cooperate with any associated audit requirements specified by the Commission.

Changes to registered details

- 1.19 The Party will ensure that the Party's details that are registered with the Commission are kept up to date. The Party will inform the Commission of any changes to registered officers within 14 days of the change and any other changes within 28 days.
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Penalties and offences

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Promoting compliance with the Act

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Signed				
Leader:			Date:	23 May 2023
Treasurer:			Date:	
Nominating officer:			Date:	
Campaigns officer			Date:	
(if applicable): Other officer			Date.	

Application to register a political party in Great Britain



This application was submitted electronically to the Electoral Commission on 23/05/2023 at 18:47:07. PEF Online reference: 17384

Declaration
The party named below is applying to be a registered party in accordance with the requirements of Part II of the Political Parties, Elections and Referendums Act 2000.
I declare that National Conservatism Party intends to contest one or more relevant elections in Great Britain (which will not be confined to parish (England) or community (Wales) elections) and is accordingly applying to be registered in the following part(s) of the Great Britain register:
England Y Scotland Y Wales Y
Parliamentary election status
Exempt from UK parliamentary elections N
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Proposed registered party treasurer					
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Proposed registered party additional officer					
I declare that I am authorised to sign this application on behalf of the above named party.					
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Signed					
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Additional Officer					
I declare that I have accepted the position of Additional Officer and confirm that I have not been convicted of any offence in connection with a relevant election or referendum at any time in the past five years.					
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Party name					
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If leader for a particu	ar purpose, please specify	

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First name(s)		
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Home address		
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Telephone number	Extn	
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Email address		

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Financial and organisational information

An online payment of £150.00 has been initiated							
Copy of party's constitution enclosed?	Yes	No	(tick as appropriate)				
Copy of financial scheme enclosed?	Yes	No					
Financial year end: 31/12							
Declaration of assets and liabilities							
Y I declare that, to the best of my knowledge and belief, the assets/liabilities condition is met in relation to the party [the total value of assets and total amount of liabilities held are £500 or less]							
Please return the form to: Party and Election Finance The Electoral Commission 3 Bunhill Row London EC1Y 8YZ							
Tel: 020 7271 0616 Fax: 020 7271 0505 Email: pef@electoralcommission.org.uk Website: www.electoralcommission.org.uk							

----- Original Message -----

From: Partyreg

Received: 09/06/2023 09:34 To: Matthew Nayler; Tyler White

Subject: RE: National Distributist Party - Application authorised CCM:0594647

Dear Tyler White,

As of 08 June 2023 we have now received proper authorisation and payment for your recent application to add a description and change your party HQ.

We will now assess your application against the requirements of the Political Parties, Elections and Referendums Act 2000 (PPERA). At this point we cannot confirm whether or not the application will be approved.

Next steps

We will publish the details of your application shortly on our '<u>Current</u> Applications' page of our website for public comment.

The Registration Team will assess your application against the PPERA requirements and put it to our internal Approvals Board. This Board is chaired by the Director of Regulation who takes the final decision on an application.

We aim to process applications as quickly as possible, and we will notify you once we have made a decision. We may write to you during the assessment process seeking further information from you about the application.

Otherwise, we will contact you again once we have made a decision. In the meantime, you can find guidance in relation to registering and maintaining a party on <u>our website</u>.

Kind regards,

The Electoral Commission electoral commission.org.uk

From: Matthew Nayler <

Sent: 08 June 2023 9:48 PM

To: Partyreg <Partyreg@electoralcommission.org.uk>

Subject: Re: National Distributist Party - Receipt of confirmation CCM:0594646

Hi there, approve of these changes.

Matthew Nayler.

On Thu, 8 Jun 2023, 17:11 Partyreg, < Partyreg@electoralcommission.org.uk wrote: Dear Tyler White,

Thank you for delivering your party's confirmation of registered details which we received on 08 June 2023.

Before we can process the confirmation, we must first resolve the application you submitted through PEF Online to change the party HQ, add a description and change your email

Please note: The application states that it has been Authorised by Post – we will take the submitted RP8M, signed by yourself, as your authorisation, but could I ask Matthew Nayler to email back verbal confirmation of his approval of these changes also.

Once received we will regard this application as compliant and begin assessment of it.

Now we have received a complete and compliant RP8M from you, you are no longer at risk of dropping off the register, regardless of when we process it. You will receive a follow-up email confirming it's processing, which will likely come alongside the result of your other description application.

Any questions, please get in touch.

Kind regards,

The Electoral Commission

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Afternoon Matthew,

That's fine, these things happen!

If you could either scan the RP8, properly signed and email back to us, or alternatively send in the post (though I would recommend making a copy in case of any issues), that would be great.

In conjunction with this, could you send £25 to the following:



Please leave a reference of 'National Distributist RP8', or 'Distributist RP8' depending on character limit, we'll know it's from you.

This will not affect the application you currently have on the go to change descriptions which came with its own cost of £25 which you have already paid. This £25 is in addition to this and constitutes the renewal fee.

Once we have received both a complete and compliant form and the £25 we will consider this a completed renewal and will be processed after your description application. Even if this occurs after your renewal deadline, you will not be de-registered as we will have received your renewal prior to the deadline.

I hope this all makes sense, please advise when you have sent the money and form. Please do not send the money prior to the forms going out in the post/emailed to us - should we receive money but no forms this will not be a compliant renewal and we will have to issue a refund.

Get in touch with any problems.

Kind regards,



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From: Matthew Nayler <

Sent: 06 June 2023 12:51 PM

To: Partyreg < Partyreg@electoralcommission.org.uk >

Subject: Re: National Distributist Party - Receipt of application - FURTHER INFO NEEDED

CCM:0594634

That would be perfect given the situation. I would have preferred this method originally, but either one of my colleagues or I have accidentally pressed the wrong button at one stage.

Whatever we have to do, please let myself know and I will get onto it immediately.

Matthew.

On Tue, 6 Jun 2023, 12:17 Partyreg, < Partyreg@electoralcommission.org.uk wrote: Hi Matthew.

Thank you for the update. Depending on how long this will take we may be able to facilitate your renewal with a bank transfer, rather than cheque payment. That way you can send the forms on if they are signed, or scan them and send via email without the need for a cheque.

Please advise how you would like to proceed.

Kind regards,



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From: Matthew Nayler <

Sent: 06 June 2023 12:03 PM

To: Partyreg <Partyreg@electoralcommission.org.uk>

Subject: Re: National Distributist Party - Receipt of application - FURTHER INFO NEEDED

CCM:0594634

Good morning,

I have informed our party leader and sent over the forms for him to send but he's had to request cheques which he hasn't received yet, annoyingly.

Matthew.

On Tue, 6 Jun 2023, 11:32 Partyreg, < Partyreg@electoralcommission.org.uk wrote: Good morning both,

I'm just enquiring as top whether you've sent off the RP8 form to our office yet?

I'm conscious of your upcoming deadline and want to make sure we receive a notification in time.

Kind regards,

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From: Partyreg

Sent: 26 May 2023 9:54 AM

To: Matthew Nayler < >;

Subject: RE: National Distributist Party - Receipt of application - FURTHER INFO NEEDED

CCM:0594634

Hi Matthew,

No need to add those forms as we have that application online. Let's focus on the RP8 for now, given its urgency, but after the fact I'll need an email from Tyler confirming he's happy with the HQ and description change, at which point I can proceed with assessing that application, having received authorisation from all officers.

For now, just tick the boxes on the RP8 saying you've made an RP3 change and an RP2. We've received payment for the RP2, the cheque you send will be for the RP8.

Hope that all makes sense, if you could advise when the form has been posted and we'll keep an eye out for it in the post.

Kind regards,



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From: Matthew Nayler <

Sent: 26 May 2023 9:41 AM

To: Partyreg < Partyreg@electoralcommission.org.uk >

Subject: Re: National Distributist Party - Receipt of application - FURTHER INFO NEEDED

CCM:0594634

One final thing is too, will we need to add the RP3 and RP2 forms with the RP8 one or is this not needed as it was done online? Simply tick the boxes on the RP8?

Matthew.

On Fri, 26 May 2023, 09:17 Partyreg, < Partyreg@electoralcommission.org.uk > wrote:

Good morning Matthew,

There are two issues here:

The first is that, in this current application that's been submitted, the 'Renew Registration' button was not pressed as part of it, and as such we have not received an application to renew, only to add a description and change the party HQ. Adding a description costs £25, which is the fee you've paid. Were you to have renewed at the same time, this fee would have been £50.

The second issue is that, at some point, one of you or your officers has pressed 'Authorise by post' instead of authorise online. While this is circumventable by receiving email authorisation from both yourself and Tyler, as I stated before, with your renewal deadline approaching I would caution undertaking any application that does not also contain a renewal.

Next steps

I have attached an RP8M for you to fill out which, when returned correctly, will constitute us having received your renewal notice and prevent you falling off the register.

When filling this in, you should mark that you are also making an RP3 change – your party HQ change – and also an RP2 change – your new description.

This form should also be sent with a cheque for £25 made payable to the Electoral Commission. This is because we have received the fee for your description, but not your renewal.

It should also be signed by your leader, Tyler White, who is responsible for these processes.

If Tyler can send this form and a cheque for £25 in the post to:

The Electoral Commission 3 Bunhill Row EC1Y 8YZ

Then we will have received a compliant renewal.

Alternatively, if you would like me to nullify your online application to let you start over, please advise.

Kind regards,



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From: Matthew Nayler <

Sent: 26 May 2023 8:46 AM

To: Partyreg < Partyreg@electoralcommission.org.uk >

Subject: Re: National Distributist Party - Receipt of application - FURTHER INFO NEEDED

CCM:0594634

Hi there, I'm quite confused about this email and ways of authorising and renewing for another year. It isn't clear one bit online. I saved all the details and updated them and then paid the £25, with our party leader sanctioning it too, so what else are we meant to do? Are we meant to fill out the forms and send them off as well, along with another cheque, or can we simply do all of this online?

Thank you, Matthew.

On Thu, 25 May 2023, 15:08 Partyreg, < Partyreg@electoralcommission.org.uk wrote: Dear Tyler White,

We confirm receipt of your application to register a new description and change of party HQ and your payment of £25 on 25 May 2023.

We have conducted an initial check of the application and have identified matters that require your attention. We will put your application on hold until 02 June 2023 so that you can, if you wish, address the matters that have been raised below.

While you have paid for the application, it has been 'Authorised by post' which means it has not been properly authorised online. Should you wish to authorise it properly online, please let us know so we can reject the application to allow you to sanction online.

Please note: It also seems that, despite our correspondence regarding your renewal, the current application does not include a renewal. Please advise if you intended to include a renewal in this application. Given your impending deadline, it may be more pertinent to rescind this application for a new description, and process your address change and renewal first.

Kind regards,



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Regulated entity name	National Distributist Party			
Regulated entity type	Minor Party			
Register				
Reviewing changes between	en version approved on 22/12/2022 and	d current version, which was submitted on 25	5/05/2023	
Last renewal date				
Payment type	Regulated Entity Change of Details			
Party details				
	Before	After	User	Date changed
Primary name	National Distributist Party	National Distributist Party		
Language	English	English		
Secondary name				
Language	English	English		
English translation				
Financial year end	01/01	01/01		
Constitution changed?	Yes			
Financial scheme changed	? Yes			

Address				
	Before	After	User	Date changed
Line 1		58 Silver Street	Matthew Nayler	25/05/2023
Line 2				
Line 3				
Line 4				
Town		Dursley	Matthew Nayler	25/05/2023
County		Gloucestershire	Matthew Nayler	25/05/2023
Postcode		GL11 4ND	Matthew Nayler	25/05/2023
Country		United Kingdom		
Telephone number				
Telephone extension				
Fax number				
Email address				
Website				

Party descriptions				
	Before	After	User	Date changed
Description		Distributism Localism Agrarianism Patriotic	Matthew Nayler	25/05/2023
Translation language				
Translation				

Party officers				
Leader				
	Before	After	User	Date changed
Title	Mr	Mr		
Forename	Tyler	Tyler		
Surname	White	White		
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Address line 1				
Address line 2				
Address line 3				
Address line 4				
Town				
County				
Postcode				
Country				
Telephone number				
Telephone extension				
Fax number				
Email address			Tyler White	27/05/2023

 From:
 Louise Edwards;

 Cc:
 Cc:

Subject: RE: White nationalist Homeland group applies to be a political party

Date: 26 May 2023 15:54:24

Hi Louise

I've already sent the response.

Copying in as she's on call this week.

Thanks

From: Louise Edwards @electoralcommission.org.uk>

Sent: 26 May 2023 3:38 PM

To: @electoralcommission.org.uk>;

@electoralcommission.org.uk>

Subject: RE: White nationalist Homeland group applies to be a political party

Thanks for copying me in.

If its not too late, could we please delete the final line from the highlighted section, the one that starts "as part of this process"? including it carries the risk of implying we are giving this area a particular focus, which he hasn't asked about. It could be seen to legitimise his 'white nationalist' comment, which is not for us to offer any comment on.

, I don't know who's on call this weekend but please let them know I'm around if there is any follow up before we all get back to work on Tuesday.

Thanks

Louise

From: @electoralcommission.org.uk>

Sent: Friday, May 26, 2023 1:56 PM

To: __@electoralcommission.org.uk>
Cc: Louise Edwards __@electoralcommission.org.uk>

Subject: RE: White nationalist Homeland group applies to be a political party

Hi ,

Happy with the line you've put together. I've also included some info below if they are want us to confirm details of the proposed officers.

As discussed, copying in Louise as I'll be logging off shortly and won't be around to sign off responses this afternoon if we get any further queries.

Louise – both and and are working today if we do get further queries and you'd like either of them to input on drafting up a response.

Cheers!

If asked to confirm individuals involved:

As you may be aware, an application to register a new political party must specify the names of the people the party intends to be registered as the party's officers. Should we approve an application to register a political party, then the party's entry shall include the names of these officers.

However, prior to registration, information relating to the names of proposed party officers is not publicly available and so is normally considered to be personal data protected under the Data Protection Act 2018. We do not, therefore, ordinarily disclose the names of the named proposed officers for applicant parties.

We also do not ordinarily publish other details contained within a registration application, such as a supplied constitution, aside from the details of an applicant party's proposed identity marks which we publish on our website for public comment.

You can request information that we hold (or that you believe we hold), which we have not already made available publicly, through our Freedom of Information process. You can find out more information about how to do this on <u>our website</u>. Please note that certain exemptions apply to information requested under the Freedom of Information Act 2000. As explained above, this includes personal data the disclosure of which would breach one of the data protection principles.



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@electoralcommission.org.uk>

Sent: 26 May 2023 1:51 PM

<u>@electoralcommission.org.uk</u>>

Subject: RE: White nationalist Homeland group applies to be a political party

Hi

To save you time I found the LTT on party reg applications and amended the part in yellow to cover equalities. Are you happy with this?

We have received an application to register Homeland as a political party.

All applications to register a political party are subject to detailed assessment

against the criteria set out in law, including on whether the party's application and identity marks met the criteria set out in electoral law, as well as legal obligations under equality laws. As part of this process, we assess whether the party's constitution and membership policy would breach equalities law.

Voters can also comment on a particular name, description or emblem as part of our assessment process. Views can be submitted <u>on this page of our website.</u>

We will publish the details of decisions taken each month on <u>our website</u>. We cannot comment on the progress of ongoing applications, or on the likelihood of an application being approved.

Thanks

From:

Sent: 26 May 2023 1:32 PM

To: Press < press@electoralcommission.org.uk >

Subject: White nationalist Homeland group applies to be a political party

Hi,

I'm writing an article about the white nationalist group Homeland, which split from Patriotic Alternative (PA), having applied to become a political party.

The group has made <u>an application</u> to the <u>Electoral Commission</u> under the name Homeland Party, which is currently under review.

Please can you comment on the above by close of play today, if that's enough time?

Thanks for your help,

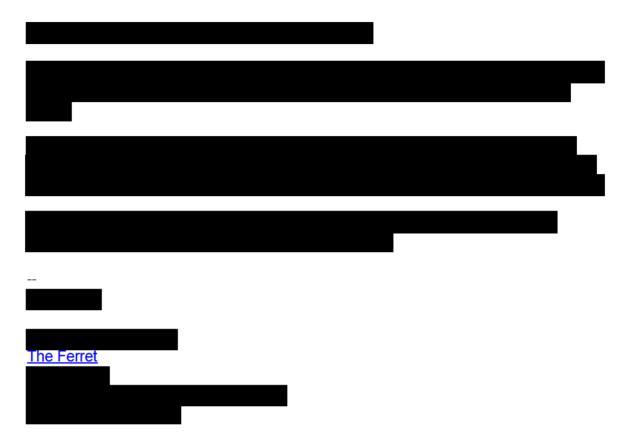


Details

We recently reported how

led a breakaway

faction to form a Homeland after the fracturing of PA, according to a report by Red Flare.



To email me securely, sign-up to Protonmail for end-to-end encryption. My Protonmail address is:

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From:

Sent: 12 June 2023 12:59

To:

Subject: FW: other

Follow Up Flag: Follow up Flag Status: Flagged



I've replied to this, just sending it across to you as you are the case lead.

Cheers,



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From: Public Info <info@electoralcommission.org.uk>

Sent: 12 June 2023 9:09 AM

To: Partyreg <Partyreg@electoralcommission.org.uk>

Subject: FW: other

From:

Sent: 11 June 2023 11:19 AM

To: Public Info < info@electoralcommission.org.uk >; Public Info < info@electoralcommission.org.uk >

Subject: other

Submitted on 11 June 2023

Submitted values are:

Name

First name



Your email

I am...

a member of the public

What are you contacting us about?

other

Your question

Feedback on national Conservative party - believe it's inappropriate to allow another party with this name due to the voter confusion it will create, especially given we've seen Tory MPs appearing at a national Conservative Demo recently. Blurring political parties / confusing voters somewhat.

From: To: Cc: Subject: Date:	; <u>Niki Nixon</u> ; ; RE: other 31 May 2023 11:29:50
•	s late to this. Response below looks fine and while the member of the Scotland it is a pan-UK response that is required so happy for this to so or second it is a pan-UK.
To: Niki Nixon @electo	@electoralcommission.org.uk> ny, May 31, 2023 10:45 AM @electoralcommission.org.uk>; pralcommission.org.uk>; lectoralcommission.org.uk>; toralcommission.org.uk> @electoralcommission.org.uk>
	hat all makes sense to me, I will pass these on to you for now quested.
	he below was Scotland the others have been England based I'll just copy you into the ones coming from Scotland fyi
Cheers	
To:	@electoralcommission.org.uk>; lectoralcommission.org.uk>; lectoralcommission.org.uk>; lectoralcommission.org.uk>; lectoralcommission.org.uk>
Thanks	, that edit works really well. Very much agree with the rationale.
To: Niki Nixon @el @e	@electoralcommission.org.uk> ny, May 31, 2023 10:30 AM @electoralcommission.org.uk>; ectoralcommission.org.uk>; lectoralcommission.org.uk>; toralcommission.org.uk> @electoralcommission.org.uk> er

Hi all.

I've suggested tweaking an earlier line to include a general reference to considering equalities law, but suggest we avoid going into specific detail about public sector equality duty and how we assess constitutions.

This is consistent with a comment from Louise when discussing a press query we got on Friday, where she said that going into detail about assessing constitutions against the equalities act etc. when the enquirer haven't actually asked about that risks implying that we are giving this area a particular focus, and could be seen to legitimise comments about the party being 'white nationalist' (or in this case, a nazi-like organisation), which is not for us to offer any comment on.

Hoping my suggestion ties in Niki's point while taking into account this previous steer from Louise.

On a more general point though, ideally the registration team would pick up responding to all of these email queries, as in doing so we'll track them for our records and then consider these comments as part of our assessment process.

Happy to agree on the line below for people to refer to, but given the still relatively low traffic we're currently getting (might need to reassess this), I think it's manageable for us to respond to these.

Give me a shout if anyone wants to discuss proposed lines or approach.

Cheers,

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From: Niki Nixon @electoralcommission.org.uk>

Sent: 31 May 2023 10:17 AM

<u>@electoralcommission.org.uk>;</u>

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@electoralcommission.org.uk>

Subject: RE: other

Thanks given the particular enquiry, I've added the highlighted line. Open to views from others.

From: @electoralcommission.org.uk>

Sent: Wednesday, May 31, 2023 10:10 AM

To: Niki Nixon	@electoralcommission.org.uk>;
@elect	coralcommission.org.uk>;
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@elec	ctoralcommission.org.uk>
Cc:	@electoralcommission.org.uk>
Subject: RE: oth	nor

In that case this line covers it I think?

We assess registration applications to ensure that applicant parties can comply with their legal obligations and that proposed names, descriptions and emblems satisfy the requirements outlined in law, and do not risk misleading or confusing voters.

All applications to register a political party are subject to detailed assessment against the criteria set out in law, including on whether the party's application and identity marks meet the criteria set out in electoral law, as well as legal obligations under equality laws.

Voters can also comment on a particular name, description or emblem as part of our assessment process. Views can be submitted on this page of our website.

We consider our Public Sector Equality Duty with every application submitted to us. Where the rules of a party's constitution could discriminate against someone on the basis of a protected characteristic(s), the constitution could be seen as unlawful and we may refuse it.

It is not for the Commission to assess or comment on a party's political views or policies. That is for voters to decide. The Political Parties, Elections and Referendums Act 2000 (PPERA) sets out criteria that parties must meet in order to register. If an application meets those tests, the Commission must register the party.

We will publish the details of decisions taken each month on <u>our website</u>. We cannot comment on the progress of ongoing applications, or on the likelihood of an application being approved.

From: Niki Nixon	@electoralcommission.org.uk>	
Sent: Wednesday, M.	ay 31, 2023 10:00 AM	
To:	@electoralcommission.org.uk>;	
@electoralco	mmission.org.uk>;	
@electo	alcommission.org.uk>;	
@electoral	ommission.org.uk>	
Cc:	@electoralcommission.org.uk>	
Subject: RE: other		
Hi Table 1		

We have a lines to take document specifically on party registration. There should

be content in here you can use to draw up a new line on Homeland that and I can sign off. Thanks, Niki From: @electoralcommission.org.uk> Sent: Wednesday, May 31, 2023 9:48 AM @electoralcommission.org.uk>; @electoralcommission.org.uk>; @electoralcommission.org.uk> Cc: @electoralcommission.org.uk>; Niki Nixon @electoralcommission.org.uk> Subject: RE: other Sorry – just realised the location is Scotland, so just copying in also. From: Sent: Wednesday, May 31, 2023 9:44 AM @electoralcommission.org.uk>; To: @electoralcommission.org.uk> @electoralcommission.org.uk>: Niki Nixon Cc: @electoralcommission.org.uk> Subject: FW: other Hi all This is the third of these sort of emails we have had re the registration application of the Homeland party, the initial couple I passed on to your team and they have responded acknowledging the comments. I have checked with and nothing yet on socials but was wondering if you we want to agree a line for us to respond to on public info and socials rather than passing them through if it is likely to gain more traction? thanks

From:

Sent: Wednesday, May 31, 2023 9:14 AM

To: Public Info <info@electoralcommission.org.uk>; Public Info

<info@electoralcommission.org.uk>

Subject: other

Submitted on 31 May 2023

Submitted values are:

Name

Last name
Your email

Your region/country

Scotland

What are you contacting us about?

other

Your question

I am very concerned about the Homeland being registered as a political party. It is a far right facist organisation that sows hatred and division in the community. Its name does not reflect its purpose and will mislead the public. As a plural and progressive country we should not allow such dangerous nazi-like organisations, which seek to sow hatred and stimulate hate crime, to register as political parties and parade as some kind of honest organisation. I am very much against the registration of Homeland as a political party.

From: To: Cc: Subject: Date:	RE: PEF Online applications to track 17 May 2023 10:08:15
Morning	,
Those 4 ha	ave been added to the tracker.
I've spoke	n with and she will begin the NPC notification today.
Thanks,	
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From:

@electoralcommission.org.uk>
Sent: 17 May 2023 9:32 AM
To:
@electoralcommission.org.uk>;
@electoralcommission.org.uk>;
Subject: RE: PEF Online applications to track
Hey
,
added to the form tracker.
Thanks,

From: @electoralcommission.org.uk>

Sent: 16 May 2023 17:50

To: @electoralcommission.org.uk>; @electoralcommission.org.uk>;

@electoralcommission.org.uk>
Subject: RE: PEF Online applications to track

Hi

Both of those regulated donee applications have been rejected, as both are spurious with no documentation of any kind.



From: @electoralcommission.org.uk>

Sent: 16 May 2023 5:28 PM

To: @electoralcommission.org.uk>; @electoralcommission.org.uk>

Cc: @electoralcommission.org.uk>

Subject: PEF Online applications to track

Hi both,

Could the following apps be tracked before you each go on leave this week? If this isn't feasible please drop me a line.

- Could you please allocate to make a priority? The chance to fully assess one before? Can you also let her know once it's tracked as well to look at that as a priority? The KPI target for NPCs is 5 working days, so we won't hit that (my fault on this one for not flagging sooner) but it would be good to get sorted asap then.

Homeland Party should also be allocated to

On a separate point, can you please make sure routinely that when applications are tracked you also populate the following columns: 'Press/Legal/Devolved interest?', 'Complex? (for KPI)', 'Translation required?'

- There's a couple of reg donees to push through.

			Date		To add to
Name	Status	Туре	Submitted	Authorised	tracker

Homeland Party	Submitted	Political Party	15/05/2023	Online	
The British Revival Party	Submitted	Political Party	02/05/2023	Online	

Cheers,

The Electoral Commission

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From: Partyreg

Sent: 31 May 2023 16:09

To: ;
Subject: RE: The British Revival Party – Receipt of application CCM:0462286

Dear ,

Please also note, an application to register a political party requires a non-refundable fee of £150. You can pay via PEF online. Or alternatively, you can send a cheque or postal order made payable to the Electoral Commission.

Our postal address is:

The Electoral Commission 3 Bunhill Row London EC1Y 8YZ

Yours sincerely,

The Electoral Commission electoral commission.org.uk

From: Partyreg

Sent: 31 May 2023 15:59

Subject: The British Revival Party – Receipt of application CCM:0462286

Dear ,

We confirm receipt of your application to register 'The British Revival Party' on 28 April 2023.

We have put your application on hold until 9 June 2023 whilst you review the matters for consideration.

Matters for consideration

The following matters were identified from an initial check of your application, and you have an opportunity to address them before the application is assessed. We may identify further matters as part of an assessment. We cannot confirm if an application is successful until we take a final decision.

It is your responsibility to determine the details of your application and to ensure that it complies with the requirements of the Political Parties, Elections and Referendums Act 2000 (PPERA).

Constitution

By law, when a party applies to be registered it must give us a copy of its constitution. Section 26(9) of PPERA defines a constitution as "the document or documents (of whatever name) by which the structure and organisation of the party is determined." A constitution must accurately determine the party's structure and organisation.

My initial view is that the constitution that you have provided does not adequately show the structure and organisation of the party.

In order to adequately show the structure and organisation, a party should as a minimum include the following details in the constitution:

- The constitution should reflect which register the party are applying to register in.
 Where a party is applying to register in both the Great Britain and Northern Ireland registers, the party's financial scheme must show that the financial affairs of the party in Great Britain will be conducted separately from those of the party in Northern Ireland. The constitution should also reflect that.
- The party's aims and objectives.
- A reference to an intention to stand candidates and at which elections.
- The candidate selection process (or at least a statement that the party will have one).
- The structure of the party and who is responsible for managing the party, including the responsibility of the party officers, the terms of office and procedure for change of those officers.
- How the party will make and record decisions, as well as any other governance arrangements. For example the frequency, timing and type of meetings and the quorum for meetings.
- If the party has membership, and if so the process and rules governing that membership.
- That the party have adopted its financial scheme.
- How the constitution can be changed and the process for dissolution of the party.

The constitution must also be consistent with the party's financial scheme.

I suggest that you review the party's constitution ensuring that you include detail in relation to each of the abovementioned bullet points.

We also note the following matters which we recommend you address in any resubmission:

- 1. Your constitution does not use section/topic titles. This makes it difficult to navigate and reference. We recommend that you group all elements together under a single title e.g. "membership", where the party will cover all details around membership.
- 2. We advise you chose a paragraph numbering system that covers all paragraphs.

Unless this issue is resolved, the application may be refused.

Home addresses

An application must state the names and home addresses of people to be registered as the party's officers. Could you please confirm if ______ is the complete address for yourself?

Next steps

Should you wish to amend your application please do so as soon as possible and no later than 09 June 2023. If you would like to amend your application online then please let us know.

Any changes to the application must be authorised by all party officers. After that date, we will review your application and any further material provided by you. If your application is incomplete, it may be refused at this point.

If we are satisfied that the application is complete, we will publish the details of your application shortly on our 'Current Applications' page of our website for public comment. We will then proceed to assess your application and put it to our internal Approvals Board. This Board is chaired by the Director of Regulation who takes the final decision on an application.

We aim to process applications as quickly as possible, and we will notify you once we have made a decision. We do not currently consider your application to be complete and compliant. Please get in touch if you have any further queries about this message. You can find guidance in relation to registering and maintaining a party on our website here.

Yours sincerely,

The Electoral Commission electoral commission.org.uk