

# Sarah Hayward for Holborn & St Pancras Making a difference



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## I'm standing because:

Now is the time for someone who will **make a difference** for both Holborn & St Pancras and the country.

We need politicians who can make a forceful Labour case for tackling inequality and who know how to make a difference. The Tories have used the excuse of the 2008 recession to cut back public services, privatise and scapegoat in a way Thatcher barely dreamed achievable. We cannot let them get away with it.

Holborn & St Pancras needs to be represented in parliament by someone who will take the fight to the Tories and win. For nearly a decade, I have worked hard and developed the skills and experience that are needed to be an effective MP. I ran the campaign that took back the council from the Tories and Liberal Democrats and **I've delivered Labour values** through the worst cuts we've ever faced. I am deeply proud of what I have achieved and I stand on my record as leader of the council, but there is a limit to what I can achieve in local government. In parliament I can **take our local priorities and turn them in to national wins**, secure a better deal for Holborn & St Pancras and make a difference nationally as well as locally.

As a country, we are facing difficult times. If we are going to change the country for the better, we need people in parliament who will **change the establishment, not join it**.

Politics is about making choices and I have never been afraid to make difficult decisions. I have not shied away from fighting hard for what I believe in. I have the passion, determination and ability to make a difference even in the most difficult of circumstances - and I can make more of a difference in parliament than I can as leader of the council.

## You should nominate me because:

At this stage you'll be voting for the candidates who make up the final shortlist. You'll have at least two votes one of which should be a woman. I'm asking for your vote as I believe I'm **not just the strongest woman in the race but the strongest candidate**, with the strongest track record of political delivery.

I have made a difference to our communities in every neighbourhood in Holborn & St Pancras. Moreover I've done this in the toughest fiscal and economic climate the borough has ever faced.

I will take our local priorities and make them national wins for Holborn & St Pancras. We need to protect our NHS, make a case to borrow to build housing, tackle the scourge of low pay and make affordable childcare a reality for all.

**Parts of Holborn & St Pancras have never had a woman MP.** We have fewer women in parliament than South Sudan, Belarus and Laos. Women are not getting selected on open shortlists or in our safer seats. If we're going to make parliament permanently more equal, we need to choose to change it.

**We have an opportunity to break the mould here.** But to stand a chance we must have the strongest possible woman on the shortlist. I believe that person is me. That's why I'm asking you to vote for me to make the shortlist this evening.