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I live locally in Bloomsbury and I am a Camden Councillor. I won my West Hampstead Camden council seat from the entrenched LibDems who had amassed a cumulative 36 years mismanaging this ward.

My community activity preceded my political aspirations and I have had roles in education, health, economics and justice and most relate to children and either protecting the citizen or promoting their rights. Currently I am

the Treasurer and Trustee at HomeStart Camden and a Governor at Brecknock Primary School, and I am a lay member of the Bar Tribunal and Adjudication Service at Gray's Inn which decides on Barristers' fitness to practice. I have been a hospital Governor, a Pension Scheme Trustee of the £4bn London Pension Fund Authority and the first Student member of King's College Audit Committee.

Political passion for me has always meant belief, aspiration and community activism fuelled by a desire to make H&StP a great place to live, work and visit, by creating a fair and just society – locally and nationally, and challenging those who deny us that right. As an active Party member, I am the Vice Chair of Bloomsbury and King's Cross Branch and of LFIG - Labour Finance and Industry Group, we have probably campaigned together and I thank everyone for making me successful in West Hampstead. I focus on voter ids, taking nothing for granted especially assuming that this is a safe Labour seat, we'll have scripts for our volunteers to persuade Switchers, Don't Knows and Won't Says to vote Labour and ensuring we will get the vote out on the day until the polls close.

A passion for lifelong learning saw me self-funded my post graduate study including qualifications in pensions, a MBA, and a doctorate from King's where I researched community-led decision-making in pensions provision, an area I strongly believe must be open to all and fully supported to eradicate inequality and malpractice.

Unemployment hit me a decade ago. I was made redundant from my job in Holborn and I spent a year on the dole; eventually I took a freelance job as there was nothing else on offer - I have never looked back. I am a consultant to the music industry managing a project to create a global digital copyright network that will ensure the writers of music get their royalties, even if it's pennies. In the past I have worked in financial services and have recently entered the world of farming to turn around an underperforming business and create artisan beef products. I also advise and mentor people looking to change careers and become freelance. I am a keen sailor and nifty Ceroc'er.

I am the daughter of immigrants from Poland. Once my Dad left the Polish Air Force, they settled into jobs, learnt English, and put two children through university. I still marvel at how they coped as they got to grips with their new country, rose above disparaging name calling, and overcame cronyism to be successful.

I have a diverse cultural heritage, deep community attachment particularly in my publicly elected roles and broad experience across industry; and I also know what it is like to be unemployed. I have been in service to the community for a long time, yet changing the world one organisation at a time is very slow and as your MP I will fight unfairness faster.

Please nominate me as your preferred PPC candidate. Thank-you.