

ECOLOGY PARTY -LONDON REGION

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Dear Member,

At a meeting of some of London's group organisers the question of formulating Party policy in relation to London was discussed and it was felt that it would be useful to prepare a London manifesto for the G.L.C.elections in 1981.It appeared that the most effective way of doing this would be to form working parties on particular topics.Some of these working parties would be based on branches but others would not,as not every member is in a branch and ,indeed,it would be unusual if every member of a branch were interested in the same topic!

As we wish to make good use of the expertise and enthusiasm of our members, we would like to draw up a 'register'of London Region members' interests and knowledge. This information will be recorded and used within the Party and will form the basis of working parties.I would like to stress that if,for example,you are a doctor you would not have to take part in the Health working party,but that particular group might ask you for information or opinions.You do not need to be an 'expert' to join a working party,but you do need to have enthusiasm and commitment.

The following areas will all need consideration:

Health	Transport	Education	Energy
Housing	Social Services	Employment	Land Use
River Use	Arts and Entertainments		Tourism

It is not an exhaustive list:if there are topics omitted or if you are interested in something that is applicable to more than one of these e.g.Community Farms,please add it.

SKILLS AND CONTACTS

Policy making is only part of the task:we need to consider the most effective way of presenting policy and putting it into practice:we also need money to finance research and elections.We need to add particular skills and contacts to our list,if,for example

- a) You have access to printing or duplicating facilities
  - b) You run a disco
  - c) You have access to films or other materials that might be useful
  - d) You are a member of an organisation that could help us by supplying information
  - e) You could speak publicly on any particular topic
  - f) You could design posters or badges
- PLEASE let us know.

#### WHAT TO DO NOW

Please write to me as soon as possible and let me know:

- a) Are you interested in joining a working party and if so, which topic?
- b) Would you be willing to call the first meeting of a working party?
- c) Have you any particular expertise on which the Party could consult you?
- d) Have you a particular skill or interest that might be useful?

PLEASE don't be modest; we are short of everything, so anything you could offer would be a bonus!

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#### POINTS OF INTEREST

- a) If you know anything about Alternative Technology, please contact:

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the South London Branch are interested in this.

- b) If you know of any halls suitable for a social, which could take approx. 150 people and where we could take our own food and drink, please contact me
- c) If you have any ideas for interesting speakers, let me know.