

Co-operative Party NEC Candidate - East Midlands

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Candidate Statement

(Please note, each section below is limited by Rules to 75 words.)

Co-operative Party experience

Been a member most of working life. Currently Branch Secretary. Also representative to and Vice Chair of Central England Eastern & Southern Co-operative Party SPC. Please see: <https://www.facebook.com/martinstrube4nec/>

Also active in local Labour Party. Formerly Branch /CLP chair /secretary. (Wrote "An Open Letter to the PLP" after the recent election which seems to have struck a chord). See: <https://www.facebook.com/showalittlerespectpage/>

Willing to attend any meetings of members to respond to questions.

Co-operative Movement experience

Partner at a Co-operative Development co-op (www.solutions.coop) and Secretary of CD consortium (www.development.coop).

Member of housing co-op (Secretary), credit union, several Retail Societies, including The Group as former Area Committee member.

Wrote "Demise of The Co-operative Group" (went mini-viral on Facebook), "The Parallel Economy", "Co-operative Off-Shorism", readable at:

https://www.facebook.com/pg/martinstrube4nec/posts/?ref=page_internal

Willing to attend any members' meetings to respond to questions.

Governance experience

Have served on company and trust Boards as Chair, Secretary, Treasurer, Non-Executive Director. An experienced public sector Project Manager, have personally managed funds in excess of £5 million, including drafting and presenting financial reports to Boards and Committees.

Thorough understanding of company, trust, and constitutional law.

Devised the "Democracy Audit", downloadable at: www.martinstrube.com

Please also see:

<https://www.linkedin.com/in/martin-strube/>

<https://portal.intouchnetworks.com/profile>

Willing to attend members' meetings to respond to questions.

Supporting Statement

Very supportive of Manifesto, preferably with commitment to not just "doubling", but also to protecting and developing "stand-alone" cooperative economies - nationally and globally. Concerned that current forms of democratic machinery do not assure that elected representatives are held properly to account. Would like to discuss and implement ways to improve on this. Great believer in Member nominated and properly resourced panels and select committees.

Unhappy with 75 word restriction on supporting statements.