

# REPORT: Southeast Regional Assembly: 4 Founding docs:

8Nov2025, Brighton

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## What happened:

### Attendees

- **(250 estimated took part)**
- **460 signed up** to attend via Your Party HQ invitation and names shared with local organisers
- **209 signed in. (175 registered** ticked off + others who had not registered)
- **71 people shared their contact details** (Google form set up by organisers – see below)

**In the absence of shared data from YP HQ,** Or the means for members and supporters of the new left party to connect, Collective Action offered a method for people attending to share their contact details and areas of interest in order to be connected later after the event.

### Where were attendees from?

The 71 who registered their details said they were from: **Brighton & Hove City x 41** (23 Brighton Pavillion, 9 Hove Portslade, 9 Kemptown Peacehaven). **Other East Sussex x 7** (2 Lewes, 2 Seaford, 2 Eastbourne, 1 Forest Row) **West Sussex x 12** : (4 Worthing, 1 Horsham, 1 Crawley, 1 Hassocks, 1 Haywards Heath, 1 Henfield, 1 Horley, 1 Horsham, 1 Pulborough) **Hampshire x 4** (1 Basingstoke, 1 Portsmouth, 1 Fareham, 1 Southampton) **Kent x 3** (1 Ashford, 1 Maidstone, 1 Tonbridge) **Surrey x 1** (Reigate) **Sutton x 1** (Carshalton) **Isle of Wight x 1**

### Preparations, design + main facilitation:

Brighton comrades in Collective Action Brighton Hove: [collectiveactionbh.org.uk](https://collectiveactionbh.org.uk) . Instagram videos: [@collectiveactionbh](#)

### Agenda:

- **11am set up 11.30 door open**, signing in
- **12.00pm 40 mins welcome:** Short film Your Party JC & ZS.
- **18 breakout groups.** 5 main hall, 6 classrooms, 4 in canteens, 3 back hallway. included 2 'quiet spaces' for ppl with hearing difficulties / sensitive to noise - facilitators (some attended training/ some not)
- **2 x 1 hour min sessions**, with lunchbreak of 30 mins in between
- **2.30pm 1 hour feedback**
- **3.45pm** Many people helped clear up and farewells

### YP HQ design + support:

The Regional Assemblies were initiated by YP HQ. HQ requested help finding a venue in Brighton for SE Regional and agreed the date. Originally YP HQ would send a facilitator with packs to lead the session. Some facilitators attended an online training session.

**Extremely short lead in planning:** It is understood that shortcomings were not the fault of any national or local comrades and solely the decision maker at YP HQ who chose to request 20 regional assemblies with tiny number of staff (many unpaid) to deliver within a few weeks.

There was an absence of communications about what was planned, and withdrawal of further support. Everything was coordinated in the last few days by Collective Action comrades who stepped in to ensure the day went well as no support was forthcoming from HQ. This included:

- paying for the venue up front to not lose the booking
- sourcing links to Google Forms for facilitators to upload small group feedback via comrades from Your Party Connections Network
- Creating a document with the 14 sections and sub questions (that feed into the 14 YP HQ response Google Forms)
- arranging and paying for all printing; 4 founding docs for facilitators reference, 14 sections as above for reference
- finding many additional small group facilitators, briefing group facilitators,
- coordinating all aspects of the day.

HQ eventually paid the local comrade back for the venue, supplied a banner and a short film.

**Changed design of Assembly:** At the YP HQ training of facilitators a design for breakout discussions was discussed (each table would be given two sections to comment on and facilitators would rotate across 2 sessions) but the paperwork to support this design nor a main facilitator to explain in detail how this worked on the day was not supplied, so local comrades design the session differently.

Facilitators worked with their group to choose one of two sections they were most interested in discussing, and then took notes on any additional or opposing 'options' and variations on what was in the 4 draft founding docs, in the relevant sections.

**Refreshments and post event social:** Collective Action arranged for Palestinian snacks to be pre bought and sold at low cost, plus refreshments. And an after party at nearby venue Railway Club for socializing nearby afterwards. More comrades attended the social who weren't aware they could show up on the day to attend.

**What happened to groups results:** All facilitators were put into a WhatsApp group organised by Collective Action locally – there given access and support to (a) save their results from each group so that they were preserved locally – these are available for anyone to view ([click this link to view](#)) (b) Access to the 14 sections Feedback Forms created by YP HQ.

14 facilitators saved their group raw data

15 reported they had submitted their results to YP HQ

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## Feedback session:

the last hour all attendees rejoined the main hall. Groups and individuals were invited to share one new item (i.e. not repeating what others had said) their group had discussed. The mic was passed around the hall. Following an early intervention, some indicative 'temperature check voting took place, but not for all points shared due to time. Those items 'voted' on below:

## **The majority of attendees were in favour of the following:**

### **Regions:**

- ⌘ As with Scotland and Wales, Northern Ireland should be a Your Party Region.

### **CEC:**

- ⌘ MPs should not sit on the CEC - it should be an entirely non MP body. (MPs shouldn't have a special status, we should build structures and processes where power is shared).
- ⌘ The number of CEC members should be increased and representative of regions.
- ⌘ As well as a gender balance, the CEC should be inclusive of other protected characteristics.
- ⌘ The operations of the CEC should be fully transparent and decentralised.
- ⌘ Elections to the CEC should be annual.

### **Membership:**

- ⌘ People from independent organisations who are not running candidates against Your Party should be allowed to be members.
- ⌘ It was noted that there are no equality group forums yet.

### **Branches:**

- ⌘ Branches should aspire to involve the community in political activism and social activity.
- ⌘ Branches should be empowered to establish themselves.

### **Trade Unions:**

- ⌘ Your Party should take a proactive approach to make trade unions more left wing and more powerful and should encourage its members to get involved with left groups in trade unions.

### **Leadership/representation:**

- ⌘ There should be a mechanism of recall of representatives.
- ⌘ Anyone elected to a paid position should get the average salary of the people they represent.
- ⌘ Leaders have to answer to the CEC, the CEC has to answer to the membership.
- ⌘ Leaders shouldn't have second jobs.
- ⌘ Leaders should be facilitators in order to be a conduit of what the membership wants, with full transparency.

### **Conference:**

- ⌘ Delegates should be elected from local branches instead of using sortition.
- ⌘ Motions should include clear timed action plans to ensure motions are enacted and not forgotten about.

### **Concerns:**

- ⌘ We wish to express concerns about Adnan Hussain and his nominated role in Your Party on the basis of him being transphobic and a landlord.
  - ⌘ The split between Corbyn and Sultana is representative of two opposing positions. These positions need to be debated at conference so that the Party has a clear direction.
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### **Post event:**

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Collective Action comrades are assisting those who signed up to get connected to a local group – or where no group is known, to be offered other ways of linking up by county, and also joining Collective Action

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