

## HOW TO WRITE TO YOUR MP (/LOCAL LABOUR CANDIDATE)

1. Go to <https://members.parliament.uk/FindYourMP>.
2. Enter the postcode of your office, and your home if you would like to do this in your personal capacity as well, and hit search.
3. Your MP's page will come up. It should show their email address, often (but not always) in the format [firstname.lastname.mp@parliament.uk](mailto:firstname.lastname.mp@parliament.uk)
4. Email them with the subject line "[YOUR COMPANY NAME] Meeting Request on Nuclear Power Investment" or similar.
5. Write an email that includes the following (but adjust to put in *your voice*):
  - a. Say you/your company is a constituent
  - b. Say what you do/what you manufacture for the nuclear industry
  - c. Say the neighbourhood/area of their constituency in which you are based
  - d. Say how many people you employ if relevant
  - e. Invite them to visit your office/factory/facility for a meeting to discuss the importance of nuclear energy to local job creation as well as to national energy security and cutting carbon emissions.
  - f. If you like, say that nuclear makes a unique and irreplaceable contribution to our economy, and we need more projects to keep delivering that
  - g. Offer to find a time that works for them, as they will be busy
  - h. Sign off and send!
6. Email [jon.woodburn@niauk.org](mailto:jon.woodburn@niauk.org) and tell him who your MP is. He will email back with the contact details for your local Labour Prospective Parliamentary Candidate. These are the people who will stand for Labour at the General Election later this year.
7. Send them the same type of email you send to the MP.
8. Let us know how it goes!

### *Key Facts About Nuclear If You Want to Cite Them*

1. Nuclear is the **only** electricity source that is clean, reliable and British all in one.
2. Nuclear is **green**: it has the **lowest** lifecycle carbon use, land use and ecosystem impact of any electricity source.
3. Nuclear is the only power source that must track, manage, make safe, and for new build projects, pay for its own waste management. We have the **best practice approach to waste management**.
4. Nuclear can cut costs and build times by **replicating fleets of reactors**.
5. Nuclear creates good, skilled, well-paid jobs: you know this better than anyone, so talk about it!

### *If You Get A Meeting*

1. Allow the MP/their staff to take photos or record videos to post to social media at your office/facility as far as is possible
2. Have the MP/staff meet apprentices/graduates who work at your office/facility if available and possible
3. Get their assistant's contact details.
4. Tell the MP clearly what you do in nuclear, what its value is, and what you would gain/how many more jobs you could create locally if you got more projects
5. Answer their questions simply but respectfully: they cannot be experts in every subject they have to cover, so they may ask very basic questions. But they want to learn and to help you, so be helpful to them!
6. Ask for them to help you get more projects: think about the one or two most important things to your business, and prioritise that (e.g. is it Sizewell C getting to FID, is it SMR projects moving forward, is it Wylfa?)
7. Since you are not lobbying or comms experts, the MP may volunteer ways in which they can help. For your reference, some of these may include:
  - a. Writing to the Minister or the Secretary of State about your priorities: this is the best outcome
  - b. Balloting for debate in the House of Commons
  - c. Tabling what are called Parliamentary Questions, which ask about Government policy
  - d. Writing in local press about the importance of nuclear: Labour candidates are more likely to do this, as they are not in Parliament, so cannot ballot for debates or do Parliamentary questions
8. Follow up with the assistant ASAP after the meeting to thank them and the MP, and to say something like "It would be great if [MP] could write to the minister as we discussed" or whatever way they offered to help. Put it in writing!