Introducing ... Clare Phillips

Executive Committee Candidate

I first joined CND in 1982 in Carnforth, Lancashire. With a 6 month old baby at the outbreak of the Falklands War I was terrified for his future. I became active in the large Lancaster CND branch, went to Greenham Common and became a Quaker in 1986 after representing CND on a joint committee in the UN Year of Peace.

On coming to Scotland in 1991 I first joined SNP because they were against Trident, went to Faslane and took part in other West Scotland actions. I later joined the Scottish Greens as I found their politics more progressive. I am also a member of WILPF, have supported the publicising of the recent UN Treaty, took part in the setting up of Secure Scotland and have attended two recent Arms Fair protests in London’s docklands.

I am particularly concerned in 2021 to highlight the links between war, weaponry and environmental degradation. Hopefully the mind set shifts that are happening for many people regarding the effect on the earth and its inhabitants of unlimited economic growth can be extended to address the double standard of supporting nuclear deterrence. I live in Dalbeattie, Dumfries and Galloway.