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## **Local correspondent for London area**

A London local correspondent is the contact for the OSS in one or more London boroughs. The list includes all the things that LCs may do but it is not essential to do all of these things, especially when you first start.

### **General**

Objecting to planning applications which have an adverse effect on common land, greens, open spaces and public paths.

Publicising the work of the society

Encouraging people to join, particularly local residents

Reporting quarterly to the office on activities

Liaising with other organisations where there is mutual benefit

### **Common land and village greens**

Advising the office on applications for works on common land – the society is consulted by law on all such applications, but local knowledge can be very important

Reporting any unlawful encroachments or seemingly inappropriate use of commons and greens

### **Open Spaces**

Discovering threats to valuable open spaces by looking for planning applications and articles in local papers and making appropriate recommendations

Assisting other members on casework in the LC's area

### **Public paths**

Receiving and responding to all proposals to alter routes of public paths, following the society's policies and guidelines

Reporting on public path problems

Assisting members with public path issues

Making proposals for path improvements or additions, in relation to the highway authority's rights-of-way improvement plan

Claiming paths for the definitive map of rights-of-way where there is sufficient evidence

Attending public inquiries or hearings into path-change proposals where necessary