

Following the campaign to prevent the enactment of Clause 28 of the Local Government Bill 1988, we believe that there would be a place for a new organisation to research on issues of relevance to gay people on a professional basis.

Such an organisation should not attempt to be a substitute for OLGA or CHE or any other organisation at present campaigning for the rights of homosexuals in Britain, nor would it purport to be representative of homosexuals nor to provide a leadership for the gay movement.

It would be a pragmatic organisation pursuing a set of specific aims. The essential elements for this organisation seem to us to be:

1. An executive committee to determine policy;
2. A professional secretariat.

The immediate tasks are:

1. The raising of initial funding;
2. The drafting of an appropriate constitution, aims and objectives;
3. The establishment of a provisional executive committee.

We feel that a series of informal meetings should address these tasks.

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