



Miss Rushanara Ali

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Rushanara Ali is the prospective parliamentary candidate for Bethnal Green and Bow. Born in Bangladesh, Ali came to the UK at the age of seven with her family. Rushanara grew up in Tower Hamlets, studying locally at Mulberry School and Tower Hamlets College. She completed a degree in Politics, Philosophy and Economics from Oxford University. Currently, she lives and works in the East End as an Associate

Director of the Young Foundation.

Previously, she worked at the Communities Directorate of the Home Office, leading a work programme in response to the 2001 disturbances in the north of England. She has also worked on human rights issues at the Foreign and Commonwealth Office; as a Research Fellow at the Institute for Public Policy Research and as Parliamentary Assistant for the

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She is currently Commissioner for the London Child Poverty Commission; Chair of Tower Hamlets Summer University and Summer University of London; Board Member of Tower Hamlets College; Trustee of the Paul Hamlyn Foundation and an advisor to the Spitalfields Festival.