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A Labour parliamentary candidate who had refused to accept a donation of £1000 from Tony Blair has been told she must accept the cash.

The former prime minister pledged £106,000 to help the party campaign in 106 key battleground seats, but Lesley Brennan who is standing in Dundee East decided to decline the offer.

She was then instructed by Labour's central office in London that the offer was not optional and that she must accept the donation and use it to support her campaign.

In a letter to all 106 candidates, Mr Blair wrote: "I am writing to wish you every success in your efforts to be elected and also to make a donation to your campaign. At some point in the future, or perhaps never, I may ask a favour of you – and I expect you to reciprocate instantly and without hesitation or thought."



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