



## Bringing Workers Together

**Minutes of the Trades Council meeting held on  
15 December 2010 at 7:30pm.**

**Location: CVS Offices, Guild Hall Precinct, Preston.**

**Delegates present:**

Lynne Wallace (LW), Dave Rochester (DR) Derek Barton (DB) Glyne Greenidge (GG) Janet Newsham (JN) Michael Parkinson (MP) Steve Flynn (SF) Terry Bayes (TB),

**Guests/observers present:**

Mick Mulcahy (MM),

**Apologies for absence given:**

Andy O'Donnell (AO) Gavin Hartley (GH) Ian Leeming (IL), Jim Leigh (JL) Matthew Brown (MB), Phil Crowe (PC) Sarah Robinson (SR) Patrick Coyne (PC) Micheal Lavalette (ML). Andy Birchall (AB) Andrew Wheatley, (AW) Darryl Fryer (DF), Dave Wilson (DW), David Savage (DS), Ian McGill (IM) Shaun Cairns (SC), Amjad Ismail (AI) Helen Mamwell Holmes, (HH), Stephen Smith (SS), Heather Park (HP), Paddy Magill (PM) Steve Radcliffe (SR) Polly Haigh (PH)

**Presidents Remarks**

TB opened the meeting with his observations. He made remarks on the success of the students uprising and the consequences of removing grants to the low income group. How the attack on the working class was in direct contrast to the treatment of bankers and their rich friends in positions of power. The manipulation of the media to support the con dems agenda against the students and the working class was also discussed.

**Minutes of the last meeting**

The minutes of the last meeting were agreed.

**Matters arising**

**PA system (megaphone)**

The megaphone had been purchased as agreed

**Treasures Report**

Non Received

**Secretaries Report**

**Action Point Log**

LW went through the action point log and gave an up date.

**Affiliations**

LW gave an update on the affiliation status and reminded everyone to ask other branches to affiliate ASAP.

**Organising Committee Report**

**Preston Against Cuts**

Everyone was reminded about the lobby of the Preston City Council on 16 Dec . P&SRTC had already agreed to support two motions being raised in the council chamber the first motion was against the cuts

opposing privatisation cuts in service and job loss. The second motion was opposing the cuts in housing benefit. It was agreed a delegation from P&SRTC would occupy the balcony in the council chambers to observe the proceedings. DB agreed to contact the press.

DB gave some feedback on the Chorley against cuts event attended by TB and DB. The local MP and Alan Manning spoke at the event.

The next PAC organising meeting was to be held on 5<sup>th</sup> January 2011 further details to be confirmed.

It was agreed that P&SRTC would purchase a banner for PAC to use on public meetings and rallies.

It was agreed that the secretary LW should have a £200 float to cover expenses regarding PAC and P&SRTC

## **TU Education**

All delegates were reminded the importance of supporting the Preston TU education program and to circulate course information amongst members.

## **Workers Memorial Day**

26 January was the date of the next meeting. The event was being held on 30 April. The flag market and Meadow Street Labour club had been booked for the event.

## **Guild**

LW gave some information regarding a “get involved”. JN agreed to find out more information with a view to attending meetings .

## **Annual General Meeting (AGM)**

LW reminded everyone of the AGM which is being held on Wednesday 19 January 2011 at the CVS offices, Guild Hall Preston. Affiliation forms for 2011, nominations forms for officers positions and instructions for proposing motions had previously been sent out electronically and had been made available in hard copy for delegates attending this and the previous meeting.

## **Workplace Reports**

**Reports received sent out electronically.**

## **Correspondence**

**Sent via email or made available at the meeting.**

## **Dates and times of next meetings**

**AGM 7.30pm Wed 19 Jan 2011**

## **Venue of meetings**

CVS office, Guild Hall, Preston

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