

BRADFORD 12 BAIL THREAT

With less than 3 months before the beginning of their trial in Leeds the Bradford 12 have had another foretaste of the ruling class justice that awaits them.

Only some five days following the successful demonstration on 12 December, the state made its intentions clear. In an act of sheer intimidation, designed to enforce the brutal bail conditions, the police re-arrested Tarlochan Gata-aura as he arrived at the police station to 'sign on' – a visit he is required to make every morning! He was pushed into a cell, subjected to an interrogation and then charged. His crime? The police alleged that he attended the demonstration on 12 December called to support the Bradford 12. Tarlochan was held overnight in the cells and then brought up, the next morning, before the magistrates. The magistrates, of course, did not hesitate to believe the police's case. It emerged in court that under the bail

conditions imposed on the 12, 'attending' a demonstration did not mean to march and chant with the other protestors. For the Bradford 12 'attending' a demonstration can consist of merely being in the vicinity, or happening to glance at a protest in support of yourself. No doubt the police were shaken by the success of the 12 December demonstration – this arrest was their response to the militant youth of that day. It is also known that the decision to re-arrest Tarlochan Gata-aura was taken at the highest levels of the British state. This was why they waited several days after the demonstration to arrest him. They used these days to get permission from the Director of Public Prosecutions.

Tarlochan Gata-aura was found guilty of breaking his bail conditions and was released with a warning from the magistrates. A warning to him and his eleven comrades of what lies ahead.