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#### NEWS SHEET NO. 1

Our early publicity is now bringing results and the Sheffield Campaign Against the Police Bill is rapidly building up support for the campaign to stop the Police and Criminal Evidence Bill becoming law. We have been encouraged by the number of people who have attended our meetings. It is however crucial that all these individuals remain involved and play an active part in the campaign. For this reason, we are circulating this first Newsheet to everyone has shown interest, whether they are

d up members or not. We hope to circulate members regularly with up to date information on the campaign. Be sure to be kept informed, JOIN THE SHEFFIELD CAMPAIGN AGAINST THE POLICE BILL NOW:

# Dates of next meetings of S.C.A.P.B.

- Thursday 15th March 7.30 at Sheffield Centre Against Unemployment Bridge Street.
- Monday 19th March 7.30 at Mount Pleasant Adult Education Centre "SHUSH" Rodm, Top floor The centre is on sharrow lane, near the junction with London Road (Buses 17, 24, 75, 76)
  - Thursday 29th March 7.30 at
    The Friends Meeting House
    Hartshead (Near Radio Hallam behind the
    High Street)
    City Centre
- Monday 2nd April 7.30 at Mount Pleasant (as above)
- 5. Thursday 12th April 7.30 at Mount Pleasant (as above)

THE MEETING ON MARCH 29TH WILL BE A BRIEFING SESSION INTRODUCED BY KEVIN ROBINSON.

#### Regular Briefing Sessions on the Police Bill

Newcomers to the campaign frequently require an introduction to the Police and Criminal Evidence Bill. This is difficult to provide in the context of an ordinary meeting. For this reason, we have agreed to hold regular briefing sessions, at

different venues in the city, which will be open to anyone who wants to find out more about the Police Bill and the Sheffield Campaign Against the Police Bill. We will publicise these sessions locally but will also rely on you to tell people that the next briefing is on Thursday 29th March - 7.30 at The Friend's Meeting Place, Hartshead City Centre, (Behind the High Street, Near Radio Hallam), Let us know if you think this is a good idea.

## The National Campaign Against the Police Bill

held their last National Council meeting in Sheffield. It was reasonably well attended considering that it did co-incide with a local bus Strike. The National Council is the policy making body of the National Campaign and all affiliated groups are automatically entitled to participate. At the meeting in Sheffield it was suggested that further specific events were needed and that the campaign should organise a mass lobby of Parliament, a Labour Movement Conference, and a further demonstration or rally.

Details of these events are currently being finalized. However, please make a note of the dates now - success will inevitably depend on publicity and the mass participation of the Labour movement.

- April 5th "Defending Democratic Rights" a half-day workshop. Camden Town Hall, London.
- Late April Mass lobby of Parliament.
- 3. 12th May (Provisional)
  Labour Movement Conference Venue to be arranged.
- 4. May 19th National March and Rally London.

Details of these events will be discussed and finalized at the next -National Council Meeting - 1pm - Saturday 24th March, AUEW Building, Mount Pleasant, LIVERPOOL (300 yards - Lime Street Station)

We hope many people from Sheffield will be there to take part in the meeting.

#### Now to move the masses??

The National Campaign would like to talk to anyone with ideas as to how the Labour Party and Trade Unions can be motivated to participate in these planned events. Contact Mike or Cecil on 01-249-8334, or write to 50 Rectory Road, London N16 7QY if you can help with inspired ideas or experience.

### News in brief from the Sheffield Campaign

The first few months were marked by the frustration of sending out endless mailings, and seemingly getting very little in return. However, that ground work is now paying off, and we have three or four speaking invitations, from Trade on the Labour Party and other groups, each week. Please get in touch if you would be willing to undertake any of these talks.

We now have an increasing number of members and affiliated groups, the high spot of the week being receiving a cheque from NALGO for £100.

#### New Developments

We have set up small working groups to concentrate on promoting work in the following areas:

- 1. Trade Unions and the Labour Movement
- CND and Anti-Nuclear Campaign.
- 3. The Womens Movement.
- 4. Left wing lawyers etc.

Contact Penny on 444377 for details.

Each group will report on its work in the next issue of the newsletter.

Don't forget, if you want to keep in touch, fill in the form, and join now.

# TO - SHEFFIELD CAMPAIGN AGAINST THE POLICE BILL

I/We wish to join/affiliate to the Sheffield Campaign Against the Police Bill.

I/We enclose a) membership of £1.00 waged - 50p unwaged.

b) affiliation of £5.00

D) dilititation of £3.00
c) plus a donation towards the Campaign's running costs of £
NAME:
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ORGANISATION: (if any)
We would/would not like you to send a
speaker to talk at our next meeting.
(delete as necessary).
Person to contact to arrange such a meeting:
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TELEPHONE:
DAY EVENING

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