RACIST ATTACKS IN SAVILLE TOWN - DEWSBURY

During recent months the Asian Community in Batley and Dewsbury have witnessed an ever increasing number of Racist attacks. The Racists rampage through our streets in cars shouting abuse. They attack our shops, homes and places of worship. In such an atmosphere, no longer can we walk the streets alone, day or night.

On Sunday 24th July 1983 at approximately 3pm four whites in a white Ford Capri rammed two Asian cars and beat up four Asian youths sitting in one of the cars.

Later that evening twenty whites emerged from the Scarborough Hotel at approximately 8.30pm and viciously assaulted five Asian youths. One youth Umar was admitted to a specialist hospital with a fractured skull.

During both occasions the whites were carrying iron bars. At the pubincident they were also armed with pool cues.

The Police were immediately informed about the afternoon incident. They were even given the registration number of the car involved. The Police took NO ACTION. Had they made arrests, Umar would not be in hospital with a fractured skull.

After the incident outside the Scarborough Hotel, the Police escorted the whites away in a Black Maria and cleared them. No arrests were made.

At 4am on Monday morning the Police raided an Asian home. Three brothers were arrested and a door smashed. They have been charged with:-

Actual Bodily Harm
Damage to Police Property
Causing affray.

On Monday evening a spontaneous march took place in Saville Town. The march was peaceful. It headed towards the Police Station to form a picket, demanding the release of the three Asian youths. The march was stopped and dogs released. Two children were bitten.

THE DEWSBURY DEFENCE COMMITTEE DEMANDS:

- 1. THE CHARGES BE IMMEDIATELY DROPPED AGAINST THESE 3 ASIAN YOUTHS.
- THE CLOSURE OF THE SCARBOROUGH HOTEL, A BREEDING GROUND FOR RACISTS.
- 3. AN INVESTIGATION OF THE APPALLING POLICE BEHAVIOUR AND ATTITUDE DURING THESE INCIDENTS.

WE ACCUSE THE POLICE OF A CONSPIRACY TO MOTIVATE RACIST ATTACKS AND OF PROTECTING THESE RACISTS.

DEMONSTRATE SAT 30TH JULY

Assemble Warren St. at 1.00 p.m.

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