



The fight for jobs & the right to work

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STOP PRESS: "THEY'VE FAILED US – JOIN THE RESISTANCE" The People's Assembly is calling a national safe-distance, masked demonstration in London on Oct 17th – with local and regional demos if people can't travel safely

The Party's initiative for a focused campaign for jobs & homes for all, the right to work and against austerity & poverty – a new 'People's March for Jobs' type campaign - is being taken up by the movement. Now, all our Branches, Districts and Nations need to take up the challenge.

A year ago the Anti-Austerity Commission put to the Party EC the task of making jobs and industry a main focus of the anti-austerity movement, and promoting further the unity between anti-austerity organisations, notably People's Assembly (PA) – and trades unions.

A recent meeting of the PA Steering Group committed to the principle - raised first via a PA zoom event on Jobs & Industry, then through Morning Star articles - for a renewal of the spirit of the UCS work-in of 50 years ago and the People's March for Jobs in the early 1980s.

The PA committee agreed to encourage and help local People's Assemblies - working with Trades Union Councils - to 'educate, agitate & organise' on specific local issues of job loss, growing poverty and loss of homes. This might include a range of 'virtual' events - and an online 'People's March for Jobs' across Britain ... with zoom events by towns & cities 'along the way', with a web map charting daily progress - and culminating in a big online all-Britain rally streamed to tens of thousands of people nationwide – like the very successful People's Assembly "Making Sense of the Crisis" online sessions.

Could your Party Branch, District or Nation help make this a reality by putting the proposal to your local People's Assembly and/or Trades Union Council to get active in this, and prepare and 'host' a local online 'People's March' meeting during the virtual march? Please let us know asap!

We'll be ringing round BDNs to talk about this soon – so please discuss it amongst comrades in the movement as soon as possible!

Following such a virtual march, we need to discuss in the movement the timing of physical local street stalls, rallies and demonstrations – moving towards a 'real' national People's March possibly in April 2021 to coincide with the Tory Party Conference in Newport – famous town of the Chartist Rising for democracy.

Planning is still at an early stage and the Party has a very big role to play. **Seize the time!**

Other things you & your Branch, District or Nation could be doing if not already...

- Make sure there is a functioning local People's Assembly in your area... you can easily set one up if not. Ask for help if needed
- Support and build your local Trades Union Council, get local Union branches (and PA) to affiliate and send delegates
- Respond to the PA appeal for speakers on particular topics, and voluntary home-based organisational work – get more information through Party Office.
- Join the Party's Anti-Austerity Commission if this is your focus of Party work...
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