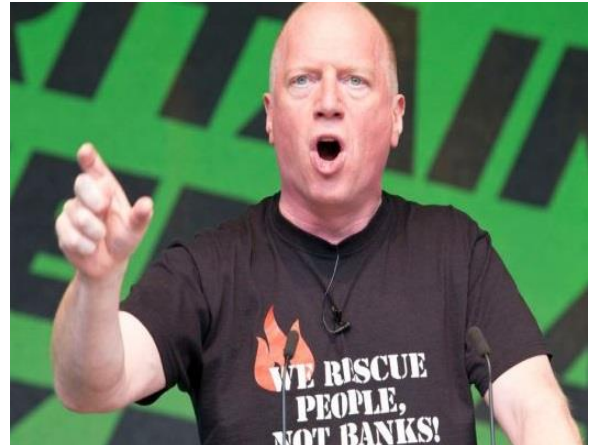


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Repeal the anti-union laws! *Clarion* conference fringe meeting, with the FBU's Matt Wrack

7pm, Sunday 23 September
The Liverpool, 14 James Street, L2 7PQ



Speakers:

Matt Wrack, FBU General Secretary

Lauren McCourt, McStriker and Bakers' Union national executive

Ana Oppenheim, *Clarion* editorial board and Labour Campaign for Free Movement

Simon Hannah, Lambeth Unison co-Branch Secretary

Jenn Forbes, Truro and Falmouth PPC

The meeting will also hear a video message from **Clive Lewis MP**. Chaired by **Cate Murphy**, Liverpool Riverside CLP Secretary and Unite the Union 522 branch Chair.

OPEN SELECTION VOTE

- REBELLIOUS SPIRIT IN CLPS MUCH NEEDED

- TRANSFORM THE UNIONS!

As we went to press the final result of the vote to overturn the CAC report and allow a clear vote on 'open selection' proposals had not yet been released.

The farce of the NEC trying to foist "democracy" proposals on the conference with only a few hours notice shows that the rebellious spirit typified by the huge CLP vote in favour is much needed.

Unfortunately the probably equally large voted by affiliated unions against opening up a proper discussion on selections show how far we need to go in transforming our unions.

This must not be a matter of "members vs unions". The unions are crucial and must be central to any meaningfully left-wing, let alone socialist, party. It is instead a matter of helping union members democratise and transform their organisations as part of democratising and transforming the whole movement. We need a 'Corbyn surge' in the unions and a Labour left oriented to the labour movement!

Fight Brexit, fight for free movement

By Rida Vaquas, Oxford East CLP

This conference will – or should – decide the party's policy on Brexit, and it is crucial that the debate is not a fudge but a clear assertion of the membership's wishes. A hard Tory Brexit be a catastrophic attack on working-class interests in this country and Europe, intensifying the forces of reaction, taking away jobs and removing migrants' rights.

Our approach to Brexit must be governed by clear socialist principles: this attack on the labour movement must be resisted through the methods available to us. That, not any enthusiasm for referendums, is why we should call for a public vote on the deal. This can go hand in hand with the fight for a General Election.

Stevenage CLP has submitted a standalone motion which will be debated as part of the Brexit section to maintain and extend freedom of movement, close detention centres and end the hostile environment. This represents the best of the Labour Party as an unashamedly pro-migrant party.

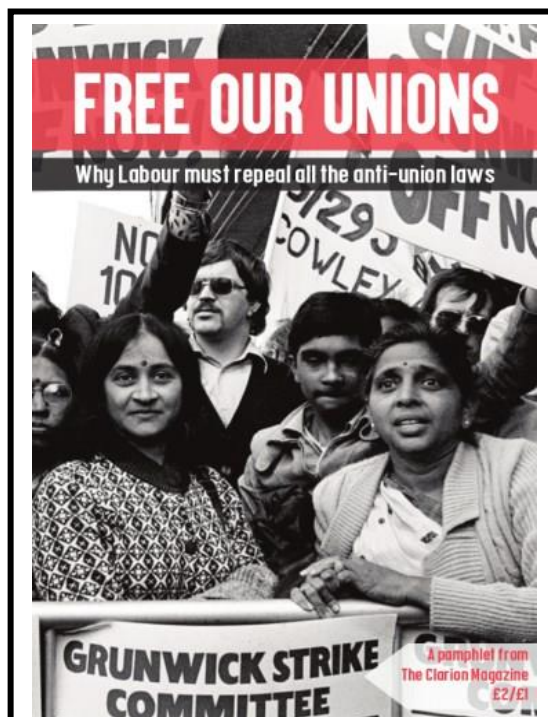
A vote for this motion is a vote for a progressive agenda for change, and an immigration system for the many, not the few.

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We have just published a new pamphlet, ***Free our unions: why Labour must repeal all the anti-trade union laws.***

With an introduction by RMT National President Sean Hoyle, the pamphlet sets out the facts about the anti-union laws and explains the basic arguments why a Corbyn government must carry out this policy. This is both essential for the future of workers' struggles and a democratically agreed conference position (in 2015 and 2017).

It costs £2 or £1 unwaged – buy from a *Clarion*-seller at conference, or at our fringe meeting (see overleaf) or order online at bit.ly/2zo93Uj

Refer back!

The Campaign for Labour Party Democracy has made a series of recommendations for references back to various parts of the Policy Forum reports – for instance, in the **Early Years, Education and Skills** section on lack of clear opposition to academies.

We would add another: the **Business, Economy and Trade** report ignores the 2015 and 2017 conference votes for repealing all anti-union laws and a strong right to strike and picket. Refer back!