

Had enough of cuts, closures, privatisation and war? Want a party that represents the millions, not the millionaires? If you agree - vote for your council candidate that supports the Campaign for a New Workers' Party, sign our declaration for a new workers' party and join the campaign!



campaign for a new workers' party

For the Millions, not the Millionaires!

local details:

What we stand for:

We believe a new workers' party would have to represent a fundamental break with the big business policies which currently dominate politics, giving workers the opportunity to resist the neo-liberal capitalist agenda and fight for a socialist programme. At our conference this May we will be discussing the adoption of a charter, summing up some of the issues likely to be central to the campaign for a new workers' party.

Demands for discussion will include:

- Keep the NHS public! Reverse NHS cuts!
- No to privatisation! Kick the fat cats out!
- No to the anti-union laws!
- Full rights at work from day one!
- For decent, affordable council housing!
- For a living wage and a living pension - restore the link with earnings now!!
- No to Trident nuclear weapons!
- End the occupations of Iraq and Afghanistan!
- No to racism and discrimination - oppose the divisive BNP!
- For workers' representatives on workers' wages!
- For a new mass workers party!

Campaign for a New Workers' Party Conference 2007

Saturday 12 May 12 - 5 pm
(registration opens at 11 am)
University College London, Gower Street
To register or find out more visit:
www.cnwp.org.uk

**SICK OF FAT CATS
PULLING THE POLITICIANS'
STRINGS?
- WE ARE!**



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Rich get richer

When New Labour was elected in 1997 millions of people hoped that things would 'get better'. Instead we have had more of the same Tory policies. Since 1997 the wealth of the top 1% has more than doubled to over £800 billion – more than the government spends in five years on education, the NHS and housing combined! No wonder there are so many billionaires prepared to give New Labour (and the other establishment parties) dodgy loans.

Public services get cut

While a few at the top rake it in the rest of us are paying the price. The government can find £76 billion for Trident but not for our public services. Instead we face low pay; the destruction of our NHS and public services; civil service job cuts; and council tax rises. All these attacks have the same root cause: the three main parties work in the interests of those at the top, the fat cats that fund them.

A political voice for working-class people

We must fight all these attacks, but without a political voice we do it with one hand tied behind our backs. The Campaign for a New Workers Party (CNWP) seeks to unite socialists, trade unionists, community campaigners and ordinary workers in campaigning for a new mass party for working-class people to give us that voice.

Break the link!

Since 1997 trade union leaders have given more than £100 million of their members' money to New Labour. In return they have been kicked in the teeth. We argue that the unions should break the link with Labour, and begin to build a party that genuinely represents their members' interests.

Who are we?

The CNWP was launched in March 2006. So far, 45 trade union national executive committee members, and over 2,500 other trade union and community representatives and individuals have signed our declaration for a new workers party. This May, signatories to the CNWP declaration will be standing in local elections across England & Wales. If you're part of a community campaign, trade union or just sick of the three main parties we'd urge you to either stand as a candidate and support the CNWP's demands or help campaign for a socialist or anti-cuts, anti-privatisation candidate in your area. If you would like to sign up, or would like to know more about the CNWP, then go to our web-site www.cnwp.org.uk, e-mail us at info@cnwp.org.uk or write to us at CNWP, PO Box 858, London E11 1YG

Brown the Blairite!

In the trade unions there are some who hope that a Gordon Brown-led government will be fundamentally different to those led by Blair. Unfortunately, we think this is completely untrue. While Brown may differ on some details, his policies will be fundamentally the same as Blair's. As Bob Crow, general secretary of the RMT put it, 'same pie different gravy!' As Chancellor, Brown has presided over massive privatisation, and he has made it clear he intends to 'intensify' reform (i.e. privatisation) as prime minister.

Can New Labour be reclaimed?

There are others trade unionists who agree that Brown is fundamentally a Blairite, but argue that the union link with New Labour should be maintained in order to launch a battle to 'reclaim' the Labour Party. We welcome discussion on this issue at the CNWP conference.

However, we believe the Labour Party today is an out-and-out party of big business. It is also an empty shell, with no democratic structures, and virtually no working-class activists. A campaign to reclaim will not, therefore, succeed. Nonetheless, the CNWP has called on those trade union leaders who argue New Labour can be reclaimed to put their money where their mouth is and to support John McDonnell MP in his campaign for Labour leader. He is the only candidate who stands on a programme that is in the interests of trade unionists, in that it is against cuts, low pay and privatisation. However, we also ask McDonnell if, as we unfortunately expect, he loses to draw the necessary conclusions about the need for a new workers' party.

I would like to sign the CNWP declaration for a New Workers' Party
 I would like more information about the CNWP
 I would like to book tickets for the Campaign for a New Workers' Party conference and enclose £ (£5 per delegate - please make cheques payable to 'CNWP')
 I would like to invite a CNWP speaker to my trade union / community campaign meeting

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