

Nottinghamshire STOP the BNP



Public Meeting and Debate:

After the Euro elections *How to STOP the BNP?*

Thursday 11th June, 7.30pm

at The New Mechanics Institute

North Sherwood Street, Nottingham



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Why did people vote BNP?

Most people who voted for the British National Party (BNP) at the European and council elections will have done so not because they're racists, nationalists or fascists. Not because they are convinced of the BNP's politics or because they want to see them take power. They will have voted BNP as a protest against the corrupt political mainstream and their politics of economic and social crisis.

What about racism?

Racism and nationalism are a real issue in British society. Newspapers whip up hatred and lies against immigrants and ethnic minorities. Politicians from all the main parties accommodate themselves to these lies and the leaders of the BNP live off the results. Racism and nationalism have never been tackled seriously; the lies have never been consistently challenged. To effectively STOP the BNP, we must also fight against racial and national hatred.

How to STOP the BNP?

The economy is already in crisis and things look set to get worse. We all face threats to jobs, wages and benefits in the year to come. The political mainstream – Labour, Tory and Liberal – have been thoroughly discredited in the eyes of many people. A general election is just around the corner and the BNP are ready for it. Are we? Is it enough for those of us who oppose the BNP to simply call for a vote against them or can more be done? Should we take on the BNP's political lies and attempts to organise, or concentrate on turning out the anti-BNP vote? Can we create our own alternative and fight back at the ballot box? **Join the discussion on 11th June!**

What we need – the alternative to the BNP

- Free, equal quality education service for all —with sufficient money to deal with the crisis in schools and colleges; reverse privatisation.
- The restoration of dignity and rights at work; repeal anti-union laws.
- An end to poverty wages and jobs with no prospects.
- A higher minimum wage, protect wages from inflation.
- Increased taxes on wealthy millionaires and near millionaires.
- Expanded decent, low rental council housing for all.
- Support for communities with services, recreational facilities and a sense of hope that can keep young people away from crime and drugs.
- An independent political voice for working people.
- In short: a plan for the economic crisis that puts the interests of workers, not the bankers, first!

Trade unions, community campaigners and others battle to improve public services and provision, to defend our rights and speak up for those in need whilst the BNP sit on their hands.

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