

Scottish Socialist Party



end the government's terror against asylum seekers
UNITY IN THE COMMUNITY
for decent housing, jobs and incomes for ALL

PUBLIC MEETING Wednesday 17th March

7.30pm

Church Hall, Quarrywood Ave, Barmulloch



speakers:

KEVIN McVEY

(SSP candidate, Glasgow N East)

WAHEED TOTAKHYL

(Scottish Afghan Society)

Kevin McVey says: "We share local people's grief and anger at the Red Rd tragedy. The area has been neglected by politicians for years. The same governments then try to scapegoat people fleeing persecution, instead of investing in decent jobs, housing and services for ALL - long-term residents AND newcomers. Look where it leads!
Unite against poverty and racism!"

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FOR UNITY IN THE COMMUNITY
against poverty, poor housing, persecution, racism

The **Scottish Socialist Party** shares the grief and anger of local people at the tragic death of the Serykh family - apparently driven to suicide after being refused asylum.

We demand a full public inquiry into the circumstances - including whether the government's Borders Agency enforcers were in the area, and if they had been banging on the family's door just before they died - as neighbours claim.

This human tragedy highlights the inhumane treatment handed out by government authorities to people genuinely fleeing persecution, torture, poverty in their native countries.

Asylum seekers are dumped in the worst housing stock; Red Rd flats are so dilapidated that they face demolition. They are banned from working, expected to live on £35 a week - after the Labour government slashed their pittance from £42 a week.

They live in fear of dawn raids, dragged into Dungavel detention centre, deported to certain death in the countries they fled. Sections of the press, egged on by the Tories and New Labour, have tried to whip up divisions between asylum seekers, refugees and long-term residents.

They try to play on the anger of communities deprived of decent housing, jobs and incomes - scapegoating asylum seekers for mass poverty and unemployment.

The vast majority of Glasgow people don't fall for these lies.

They know there was appalling housing

provided by slum landlords and the council long before the asylum seekers arrived.

They know these people - many of them highly trained professional workers - are not even allowed to work, let alone "take away our jobs".

They know that many families in Glasgow are descendants of previous waves of refugees and "asylum seekers" - who fled famine, persecution, war and poverty in Ireland, the Scottish Highlands, Italy, etc.

The SSP has a proud record of defending human rights for asylum seekers and refugees. Our **MSP Rosie Kane** dealt with hundreds of cases in 2003-7, fighting evictions, destitution and deportations.

We condemn and oppose the barbarism of the Asylum System - which chucks young children into prisons, lifts them out of school into flights to countries they never knew - where their families face violence and sometimes death.

The SSP campaigns for unity in the community - to fight together for better housing and services.

Unity is our strength!

Attend the public meeting - mourn the deaths of victims of the government agencies' terror.

Unite against deportations, poverty and racism. Join the SSP for a Scotland that offers the hand of friendship - not the fist of fury.

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