



# SQUATTERS OF LONDON ACTION PAPER



**IT'S MINT THIS SQUAT** A bunch of homeless people and squatters took the old Royal Mint to show the insanity of fuck-off huge buildings lying empty while people sleep on the streets. County Enforcement Group meatheads were stopped in their first illegal eviction attempt by a single squatter but they finally forced their way in and violently threw people out. Another building remained and the black flag was raised while support gathered outside. Sadly in the following days the notorious reformist and self-publicist Phoenix forced his reformist ideas with the few remaining squatters, made friends with security, and happily handed the building over to the pigs. But watch out toff scum: your building will be next!

**FAIRY LIGHT HIPSTER SHITE** The famous Beak Street squat from the G8 has been converted into some hipster pop-up bollocks. The site of a violent and bloody eviction and militant resistance that resulted in many squatters being sent down is remembered by fairy light umbrella art and 8-quid yoga classes with a patronising note on the door explaining why the building hasn't been squatted since. It seems someone showed their appreciation as last time we passed the note had been torn down and 'hipster scum' etched into the citex.



**SWEET REBELLION** The Sweets Way 16 walked away from a 3 day trial with 12-month conditional discharges for their eviction resistance on September 24<sup>th</sup>. *Individual in the black hoodie* and *individual in the grey hoodie* kept their anonymity from arrest to walking from court. Similarly all but one of the Mamelon Tower 7 were NFA'd for affray after their eviction battle with riot cops. Big up all those fighting for our homes all the way to the copshop.

**A SQUATTING EDUCATION** Students at London Met squatted the Bank Gallery at the Cass art school against the planned sell-off of the Aldgate campus, course and job cuts and suspension of their dean who spoke out against them. Barricading themselves inside for just under two weeks from December 10<sup>th</sup>, the occupation began and ended surrounded by agro security guards.

**HIPPIES LOVE FLOWERS** It takes very little to win a hippy over. Pigs in Barnet figured out that a handful of flowers is all you need to gain entry the squatted Sequoia Culture Hub. This new infiltration tactic even gained the pigs selfies with squatters and a big up from them on social media. Watch out for them daffodils!

**Notre-Dame-des-Landes:** Squatters at the ZAD land occupation ready themselves for an eviction attempt now expected in late February. They have called for an international day of solidarity on February 27<sup>th</sup> but actions, including a spray paint attack against the multinational Vinci, have already begun. For more information visit [zad.nadir.org](http://zad.nadir.org).

**The Hague:** The Autonoom Centrum social centre is preparing for an eviction attempt expected around January 30<sup>th</sup>. AC has provided an organising space for radicals, vegan kitchens and infonights for over five years and it looks like there will be strong opposition to the upcoming threat.

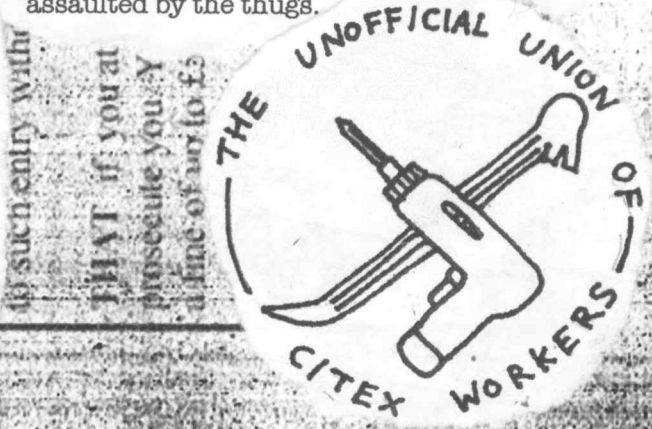
**Athens:** On January 10<sup>th</sup> migrants and accomplices squatted a building on Themistokleous St. 58, in the Exarchia district. They plan to use the space to house migrants and self-organise against the border regime. The squat is among many others in the district, including the well-known refugee centre Notara26.

**Calais:** Police and fascist violence has been increasing as the eviction of sections of the Jungle draw closer. Migrants and accomplices marched into the centre of Calais on January 21<sup>st</sup> to show their anger at this racist eviction. For more information search Calais Migrant Solidarity.

**Utrecht:** On January 16<sup>th</sup> squatters occupied an old office in the t'Goylaan district of Utrecht. There is a soup kitchen there every Sunday, and the occupiers plan to host many more events.

**Dublin:** The Villa Park squat was evicted by police and private security on January 21<sup>st</sup>. The eviction was without a court order and many squatters were physically assaulted by the thugs.

**DURING AND AFTER THE STATE OF EMERGENCY IN FRANCE**, the state has been deploying its new powers to criminalise all revolt. Squatters haven't escaped this wave of state repression and terror. Two squatted houses in Lille were evicted by anti-terrorist police fully kitted out with machine guns. In the run up and during COP21, many autonomous spaces were raided and put under 24hr armed surveillance. The main space opened to house dissenters was illegally evicted by pigs in riot gear. In Clermont-Ferrand, the situation for squatters was summed up by the words of a pig during an illegal eviction: "It's the state of emergency, the law doesn't exist anymore. Haven't you seen the news, mate?" The ruling class, armed with their new repressive powers and security forces, skip all legal procedures and act with impunity - to well and truly fuck us over even more.



# A R C H I V E

Three decades ago on January 12<sup>th</sup> in 1986, 102 Locksley St hosted the first All London Squatters Gathering in several years.

A day after the Reclaim the City day of action in Birmingham, it also preceded the March against Police Repression on January 25<sup>th</sup>, placing it at a pivotal and active moment in anarchist and squatting history - another gathering was hosted in April that year.

As well as a long history, gatherings have a promising future. Squatting Europe Kollektive (SqEK) are hosting the next in Rotterdam, between May 18<sup>th</sup> and 23<sup>rd</sup>, including assemblies on anti-gentrification resistance and visits to local squats and semi-legal social centres.



## BASTARD WATCH



**Peter Mooney**  
Ex-bailiff and now senior partner in County Enforcement Company.  
Mooney's boneheads love kicking people out of their homes as their website proudly offers (often illegal) evictions for squatters, travellers, mobile retail units and boaters. It's fair to say he is not just a bastard, Mooney is an ass. The company can be found at 16 Bourne Road Bexley, Kent, DA5 1LU and Mooney is thought to live in the surrounding area.



**Grant Shapps**  
Chief Dickhead behind the drive to criminalise residential squatting:  
"There's never been such a thing as squatters' rights - they are just a misreading of the laws that are actually designed to protect the homeowner. I want to lock the door on squatters and their so-called rights once and for all." - Maynard House, The Common, Hatfield, AL10 0NF. Telephone: 01707 262632.

## Events

**Second and fourth Tuesdays**  
Practical squatting evenings  
56a Infoshop, Elephant and Castle  
56a.org.uk

**Every month**  
Radical Housing Network meetings  
Radicalhousingnetwork.org

**Every fortnight**  
HASL Open meetings, Papa's Cafe  
housingactionsouthwarkandlambe  
th.wordpress.com

12:00. January 30<sup>th</sup>  
March Against the Housing Bill  
Imperial War Museum  
Lambeth Housing Activists

14:00. January 30<sup>th</sup>  
Freedom to Party  
Rave against Rave Laws  
Shoreditch Overground Station

12:00. February 2<sup>nd</sup>  
Flat eviction resistance  
Pomfret Avenue, Luton, LU2 0JL  
Beat the Bailiffs London

14:00. February 6<sup>th</sup>  
Future Society Forum  
DIY Space for London, SE15 1TF  
Radical Assembly

February 27<sup>th</sup>  
Day of Action at the ZAD  
Notre-Dame-des-Landes, France  
zad.nadir.org

February 25<sup>th</sup>-28<sup>th</sup>  
Another Winter of Discontent  
inc. Subhumans and Zounds  
Boston Music Room, N19 5QQ

19:00. March 5<sup>th</sup>  
Blatoidea, SHOT! and The  
Migraines gig  
The Veg Bar, Brixton

13:30. 12<sup>th</sup> March  
Shut Down Yarl's Wood  
MK41, Bedfordshire  
Travel by Movement for Justice

20:00. 29<sup>th</sup> March  
Love Sex/Hate Sexism Benefit  
Boston Music Room  
N19 5QQ

May 18<sup>th</sup> to 23<sup>rd</sup>  
SqEK squatting conference  
Rotterdam, Holland  
roffasqek.wordpress.com

Email events and news to:  
[squatterslap@riseup.net](mailto:squatterslap@riseup.net)

## GROUPS WORTH NOTICING

**Advisory Service for Squatters**  
84b Whitechapel High Street,  
London E1 7QX  
squatter.org.uk

**Hackney Eviction Resistance Network**  
07494018466

**Housing Action Southwark and Lambeth**  
housingactionsouthwarkandlambet  
h.wordpress.com  
07741910527

**No Evictions London Squatters Network**  
07980637338

**No Fixed Abode Anti-Fascists**  
nfaaf.wordpress.com  
nfaantifascists@riseup.net

**Squatters Legal Network**  
0792 576 9858

**Squatting Europe Kollektive**  
sqek.squat.net

**Squatters and Homeless Autonomy**  
fb.com/squatterhomelessautonomy

**Squatting Action for Secure Homes**  
squashcampaign.org



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