

Christine Peace, prospective Labour Party candidate for North East Derbyshire, describes the high-profile presence of the Orgreave campaign at the 2018 Labour Party conference

# Labour Party supports call for Orgreave inquiry

I REMEMBER as a teenager how many of the adults around me felt let down by the Labour Party during the miners' strike. However, we should not forget those Labour Party members, councillors and MPs who stood strong at the time. Many of those that did are still there in the party today and we thank them.

One of them was Jeremy Corbyn and, under his leadership, we have a commitment in the party manifesto to an inquiry into Orgreave.

Our comrades in Scotland, led by Labour MSP Neil Findley, secured an inquiry into the policing of the miners' strike there. In Wales, our comrade Mick Antoniwi, continues to fight for an inquiry, too.

It's just the Tory government, standing in the way, protecting their Thatcher government of the past. So let's vote them out.

## Huge display of solidarity for the Orgreave Truth and Justice Campaign at the 2018 Labour Party Conference

OTJC ran a very busy stand at the Labour Party conference in Liverpool with the help and support of our dear comrades and friends from Lesbians and Gays Support the Miners.

You were the in the minority if you were there and didn't wear our celebrated *Coal not Dole* OTJC sticker. Our stand was visited by MPs keen to show their support. Other campaigns came along to show support including the Shrewsbury Campaign.

## Support from Haldane

Our campaign continues to fight on a legal front and as socialist activists we recognise legal activists who fight for us and other working class injustices. Special thanks to Haldane Society of Socialist Lawyers who hosted a fringe meeting at Labour Party Conference supporting us, chaired by their chair, Liz Davies.

The Shadow Attorney General, Shami Chakrabarti spoke



Ian Lavery, Chair of the Labour Party with Orgreave campaign supporters at Labour Party Conference 2018, displaying the first iconic T-shirt we produced.



Orgreave at The World Transformed, a lively programme of events organised by Momentum, at Labour Party Conference 2018

about the importance of having an Orgreave Inquiry and what would be expected from that inquiry.

Mark George QC showed some very clear and disturbing images of miners being attacked

and threatened by police at Orgreave and talked about the collusion and the falsified police statements made when 95 miners at Orgreave were arrested.

He also highlighted the perjury committed by the police



Chris Kitchen, NUM General Secretary, and Chris Peace, Orgreave activist and Labour PPC for North East Derbyshire at Labour Party Conference



Miscarriages of justice: Orgreave, Shrewsbury 24, Grenfell, Blacklisting and other campaigners after the World Transformed event

in court and how the police behaved with impunity.

Shadow Secretary of State for Justice, Richard Burgon MP talked about the role of mining communities in the strike putting particular emphasis on

the magnificent contribution made by the women and Women Against Pit Closures. Neil Findlay MSP spoke about the recent decision by the Scottish Parliament to review policing in Scotland.