

DIRECT**ACTION**

Industrial Workers of the World

An Injury To One - Is An Injury To All!

Industrial Workers of the World welcome the news of a victory for our fellow worker at Tesco, Newcastle, Co. Down following a three month suspension and disciplinary action for refusing to handle Israeli products.

News of the Tesco worker's victory came following the welcomed announcement that a number of Filton hunger strikers had also ended their brave lengthy action.

In a statement, a spokesperson for the IWW Ireland Branch said, "This is a victory that will be welcomed, not only by the fellow worker directly involved and their family, but also the labour movement in Ireland.

"This is undoubtedly a victory on par with that of the Dunnes Stores strikers, in that it will give further strength and solidarity to the growing BDS and anti-apartheid movement and their demands. Equally it will further assist the labour movement at an important time for grassroots activists on the shop floor.

It, too, will give workers the strength to know that they too can stand up and refuse to handle products from the apartheid Israeli regime during a period of unfolding genocide in Palestine.

"Workers must know that they are not alone. We must take away important lessons from this action. We have to fight to defend all workers who refuse to handle Israeli goods. Workers will receive support and solidarity from the trade union movement if they too decide to refuse and resist Israeli products wherever they work.

"As a union, the IWW Ireland Branch once again extend our love and solidarity with our fellow worker and to each and every one who participated in the campaign, expressing their support and solidarity over the past number of months.

"Without you, this victory today would not have been possible. In all areas of struggle as we move forward, in the workplace or on the streets, we must remember that an injury to one is an injury to all!"

IWW Ireland

VICTORY FOR TESCO WORKER!

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TESCO WORKER CAMPAIGN

In an official statement issued by the Tesco Worker Campaign on the victory for the Tesco Worker, it read:

The Tesco Worker Campaign can now confirm that the Tesco worker from Newcastle, Co. Down, suspended and under disciplinary action for following their con-

science and refusing to handle goods from so-called Israel, has been reinstated by Tesco and the disciplinary dropped.

The worker has accepted a role where they will not be expected to handle Israeli products. Tesco insists that these goods are legally sourced, a position we vehe-

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mently oppose. These products, often labelled misleadingly, help to fund Israel's ongoing genocide in Palestine. Their distribution has been condemned in a landmark UN report about the economy of genocide.

We want to make it clear to other workers considering action - union support exists. Retail workers' union USDAW passed a BDS proposition in 2021, recommending they 'support and protect, with the full force of our Union, any member who wishes on moral grounds to refuse to handle goods originating from the currently occupied lands of Palestine by the State of Israel.' We expect USDAW to continue representing its members in accordance with this policy. A precedent has now been set.

In 2025, the Irish Congress of Trade Unions (ICTU) stated that workers in Ireland should not be placed in 'unconscionable situations' of facilitating trade with Israel or handling Israeli goods while the genocide in Palestine continues. The ICTU has warned, 'As a movement, we are clear: we will not be found wanting in protecting our members where an employer seeks to discipline or dismiss a worker in such circumstances.' The actions of the committed and compassionate activists, in Ireland and GB, who turned out every weekend for the past two months in support of this worker and all workers who want to reject genocide goods, have been hugely uplifting. Your support and solidarity has been immense. Thank you.

Our campaign will continue as we aim to support any worker taking a similar stance to this Tesco worker. For anyone who wishes to take action - rest assured that you will have support from across the nation if you follow your conscience and

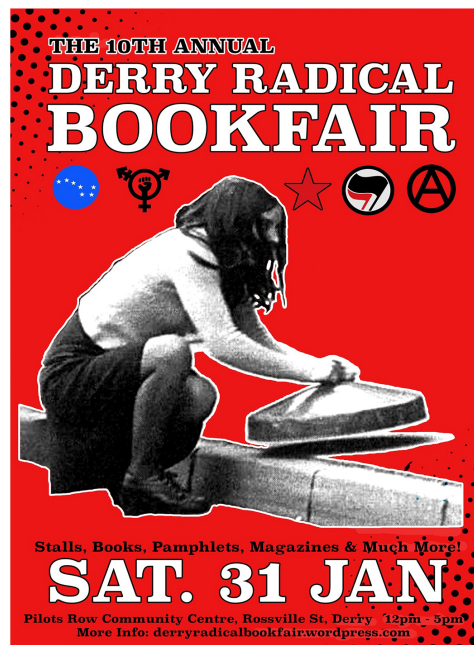


refuse to play a part in genocide complicity.

We have supported the Tesco worker's need for anonymity and will continue to do so. Our social media and email will remain open for anyone who wishes to contact us.

In solidarity

Tesco Worker Campaign



The IWW Ireland will take part in the forthcoming annual **Bloody Sunday March for Justice** on **Sunday 1st February 2026 2.30pm Creggan Shops, Derry**. We hope you can join us on the day.

WOBBLIES AT THE DERRY RADICAL BOOKFAIR

The IWW will be taking part in this year's annual Derry Radical Bookfair event in the city as part of the Bloody Sunday week of events.

This year marks the 10th anniversary of the bookfair in Derry as discussions and stalls are set to be even better than ever.

This year's annual Derry Radical Bookfair will take place on **Saturday 31st January 2026 from 12pm til 5pm**.

Pilots Row Community Centre in Rossville Street, Bogside, Derry.

EVERY WORKER NEEDS A UNION

The IWW Ireland branch rolling out an information campaign to help highlight the need for all workers to unionise their place of work.

As a union, the IWW offer workers the training required to support and assist you to unionise and build a union within your place of employment.

IWW members will be holding regular information stalls throughout the country to encourage workers to join the union, to take part in essential training that will help guide members to build a union in your workplace and defend your rights as workers.

IWW believes that **EVERY WORKER NEEDS A UNION!**

Whether you are employed in a call centre, a factory or a retail shop, a delivery driver or a cleaner, a hospitality or care worker:

if you have a boss or a manager then you need the protection and solidarity of a union to defend your rights at work.

A union is a group of workers who have come together to support one another and to protect their rights at work, as well as their pay and working conditions.

If you are a member or supporter of the union and would like to help out with the campaign, then please come along to the next advertised information stall near you. Please see our website or social media channels for more info.

If you are a member and would like to create an information stall in your area then all you have to do is drop us an email for a FREE campaign information pack to help create your own IWW stall.

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