IWW: WORKING CLASS SOLIDARITY NEEDED!

Members of the Industrial Workers of the World (IWW) have expressed its support and solidarity with workers taking strike action this week as pressure on workers and that of their families continues to grow.

A spokesperson for the IWW Ireland in a statement released earlier said that, "Our union wish to send a message of support and solidarity with workers across the country who are continuing industrial action or embarking on action for the first time.

"We send our solidarity to those workers on the frontline who have taken the bravest of steps to demand better pay and conditions. From Education workers to Council and the university workers as it's important that they know at this time, that they are fully supported in their fight."

It is estimated that thousands of refuse collections, school meals and transportation will be affected as a week-long industrial action takes hold by members of NIPSA and UNITE.

Further ten day strike action by university workers, represented by University and College Union (UCU) at Queen's University and Ulster University are also continuing action in their demand for wages, pensions and a reduction of workloads.

A spokesperson for the IWW concluded, "We believe that this is only the beginning of further strike action both within the Public Sector and beyond. Workers have had enough of poverty pay and conditions. At a time when working class communities are facing increased hardships not witnessed for a generation or more, many are gathering the strength to fight back.

"Speaking to workers on the ground and they will tell you we are already exhausted. Exhausted from working extra hours still we can't afford the bills or need to access food banks just to make ends meet.

"Over the weeks and months ahead, it is important that workers continue to receive support and solidarity on the picket lines. We call on workers to attend the picket lines, show your support at protests and stand shoulder to shoulder with workers.

"They are fighting to receive a wage they deserve and decent working conditions for all of us at a time when we need to stand up.

"Workers don't need photographic gestures from those seeking electoral gains, only to be completely forgotten about the rest of the year as the food prices and welfare queues increase. We call on working class solidarity for workers on strike."



AGM 2022 Belfast

The Annual General Meeting of the Industrial Workers of the World, Ireland Branch takes place in Belfast on Saturday April 30th 2022.

All members are asked to take part in the annual event. The National Secretary has issued details on WobChat and also directly to members emails addresses. As more details are being finalised, Please check your emails, junk & spam boxes for more info.

You can also contact the Organising Committee at the following address: **ireland@iww.org.uk**

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MIGRANT RIGHTS ARE WORKERS RIGHTS!



The Industrial Workers of the World Ireland Branch participated in today's community demonstration at Lifford Bridge, on the Tyrone/Donegal border which marked International Day for the Elimination of Racial Discrimination.

The event itself, organised by the North West Migrants Forum, saw a number of speakers from several community and non aligned groups highlight an invisible racist hard border in the island of Ireland.

A spokesperson for the IWW Ireland Branch said following the border protest that, "It was important for ourselves as a union to take part in today's event.

"To show support and solidarity at a time when migrant workers face increased racist targeting from the state itself and those many different agencies designed to control and maintain these borders.

"Today's action helps to highlight the ongoing fight by migrant workers throughout the country plus the need for greater solidarity to effectively challenge the racist policies currently in place.

"The wider trade movement must not remain silent whilst workers are subjected to this injustice.

"As can be seen by our banners Migrant rights are workers rights.

"Migrant workers and migrant communities need more support and solidarity and to-day's event should be something to build on. It can't be left up to those in Stormont, Westminster or the Dáil who seem to have no issues with continuing racist policies that target migrant workers."

#migrantrightsareworkersrights
#sharetheisland #IWW #NoRacistBorder

IWOC HEALTH INFO.

New IWOC information leaflet on 'A Prisoners Guide to Prison Health Care in the North of Ireland' is available from our IWOC postal address: IWOC P.O. Box 346, Derry City, BT48 4FZ.

If you have a loved one, a family member or friend on the inside and would like a information sheet on Health Care, then please get in touch. IWOC members on the inside have come together to produce this fantastic information leaflet which is free to prisoners. #IWOC Ireland meet each month to discuss, help support and organise solidarity support activities such as this

If you would like to take part, you can PM us, you can join us directly via www.iw-w.org.uk/join or/and write to us here:

IWOC P.O. Box 346, Derry City, BT48 4FZ.

DIRECT ACTION SUBMISSIONS

If you have an issue, a story, a short news article or would like to advertise an event from your area then please remember to submit it to **Direct Action**.

If you take part in any workers solidarity actions at work, on picket lines or on the streets then consider writing or take some photographs to share for further support and solidarity.

Remember, Direct Action is printed and produced each month by volunteer labour of members. If you would like to help out then please get in touch, details below.

Your can send your submissions directly to **Direct Action** at: ireland@iww.org.uk

Your can write to **Direct Action** at our postal address listed across the bottom of this page.

SOLIDARITY WITH SACKED P&O WORKERS!

Solidarity action with sacked P&O workers in Derry City centre, organised by Derry Trades Council followed similar action in Belfast and the port of Larne supporting all those P&O workers currently under threat of redundancy. Members of the IWW Ireland Branch together with a number of unions gathered in Derry's Guildhall Square expressed their anger at P&O bosses and the ruthlessness in which they treated 800 worker's at a number of ports.

Several speakers called upon the wider trade union movement must now step up and challenge those bosses within P&O to



demand workers are reinstated while others called for an effective boycott.

WOBBLIES GET ACTIVE! CONTACTS IN YOUR AREA

IWW Members in each area meet each month to discuss, support and orgainse activity locally. If you would like to become active in you area then we urge you to please get in touch with your local organiser.

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