

Leicestershire Anti-Fascist Alliance

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CLOSE CAMPSFIELD, RACIST DETENTION CENTRE!

Up and down the country people convicted by no court are being held prisoner by the Home Office. Their crime? Fleeing political or ethnic persecution, torture and death squads.

They are held in prisons or detention centres, like the notorious Campsfield House, specially designed for holding asylum seekers - without trial.

Britains asylum laws are racist. The detention centres inhumane. All of Campsfields inmates are black.

We say close down Campsfield! Free entry into Britain for asylum seekers!

June 24th is the National Day of Action to close Campsfield House detention centre. LAFAs supports this and will send a delegation to one of the major demos.

On the 21st LAFAs are staging two events to highlight Britain's racist asylum and immigration laws. At 6.30 pm we are picketing the Nationality Office at Charles Street police station. This is the section of the police that enforces the asylum and deportation laws. Later, at 8 pm we are holding a public meeting at Secular Hall, Humberstone Gate.

All anti-racists should support these events. Let the Home Office know we will not tolerate this barbarism.

BNP BOTTLE IT!

Leicester BNP publicly announced that they would be holding two demonstrations on the 20th May - one in the city centre and the other at Castle Hill Park near Anstey. Their aim was to whip up anti-gypsy racism.

At short notice well over 100 anti-fascists mobilised to oppose them.

The ANL held a rally at Castle Hill Park whilst militant anti-fascists, including LAFAs, ensured that any BNP activity on the day would be short-lived and painful for them.

LAFAs leafleted the city centre and carried out our "Rights For Gypsies" protest in Town Hall Square.

On the day the BNP didn't have the bottle to show, despite the numerous riot police assembled to protect them.

May 20th proved to be a success for anti-fascists and a humiliation for the BNP.

Thanks to everyone who turned out.

NEXT LAFAs MEETINGS WILL BE - WEDNESDAY JUNE 28TH AND JULY 26TH.

BOTH AT SECULAR HALL, HUMBERSTONE GATE, 7.30PM.

ALL ANTI -FASCISTS ENCOURAGED TO ATTEND

CALENDAR

Saturday June 19th
LAFAs stall in Belgrave. Meet at Belgrave Neighbourhood Centre, 11.50am.

Wednesday 21st June.

Action against racist asylum laws and Campsfield House.

6.30pm Picket Nationality Office, Charles St police station.

8.00pm Public Meeting. Secular Hall Humberstone Gate, Leicester.

Ask Your Councillor!

The City Council granted the BNP permission to hold a demonstration on Castle Hill Park. Many councillors were unaware this decision had been made. It is also a change of policy.

Even the councils own race unit, which monitors racist activity, were not informed by the authority, but gained their information from the police.

Ask your councillor who made the decision. Demand it is reversed.