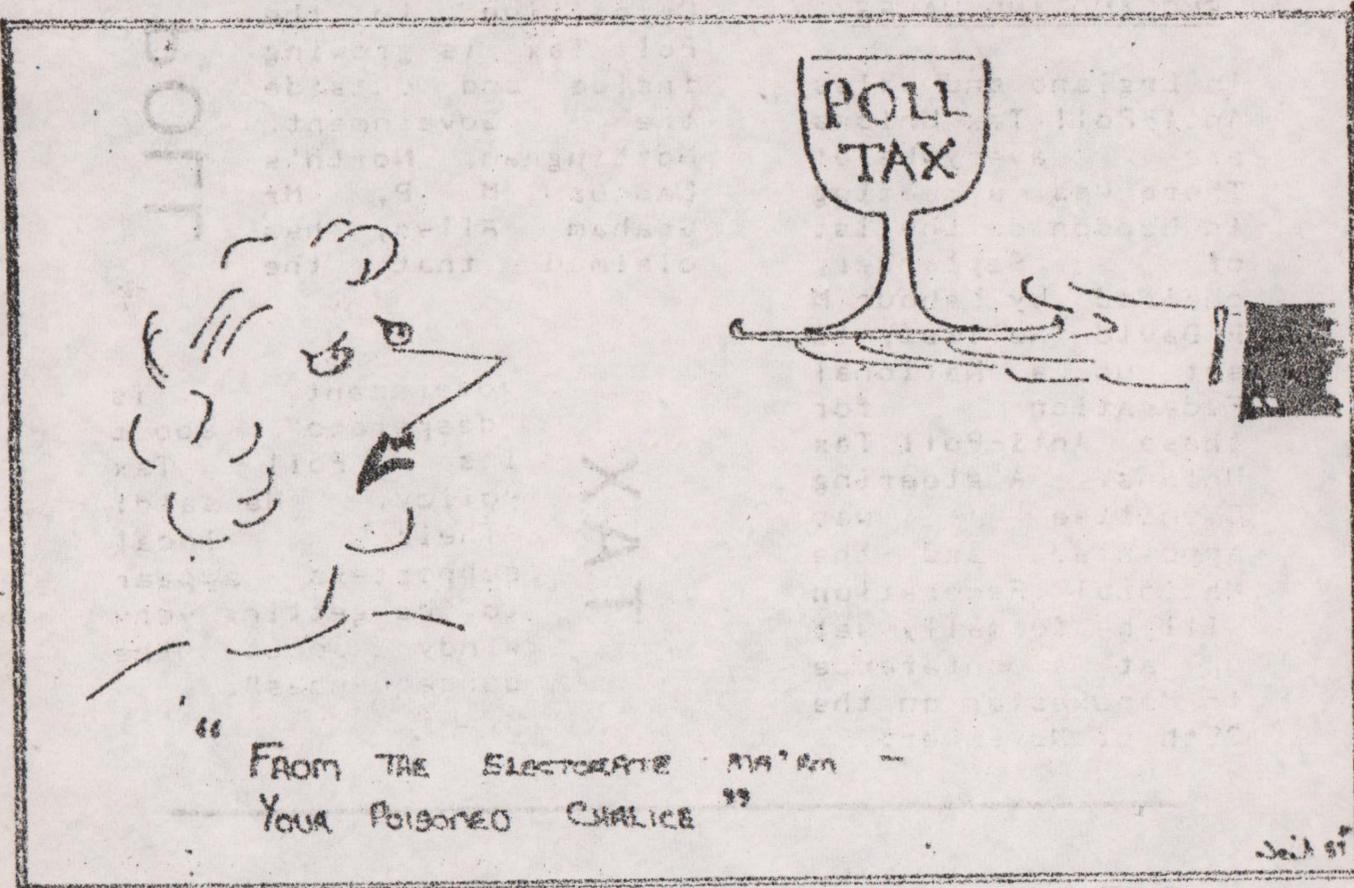


NEWSLETTER

ASPLEY ANTI-POLL TAX UNION



HOW IS IT GOING IN ASPLEY?

Very Well! The meeting at Ambleside School Hall which we held on 17th June, leaflets having been distributed through your doors, didn't attract a lot of people but that could be due to the fact that it was a Saturday which is a busy day for most people, and with the football on television.

Next we had members out at the shopping areas in Aspley with petitions to find out how strongly people felt about the Poll Tax. We collected about two thousand signatures. These will be counted and added to those collected in other areas and the total will be put together by the Nottingham Federation of Anti-Poll Tax Unions.

Those who did attend were all in agreement about how wrong the Poll Tax is and that everybody of the same mind should fight against it. This is what the Anti-Poll Tax campaign is all about.

Our door to door campaigning has also been good. Lots of elderly people, unable to get out, have welcomed the chance to sign the petition on their doorstep.

The feeling against the Poll Tax is very strong in Aspley and getting stronger. We thank all those who have supported us with their signatures and invite everyone to "COME AND JOIN US" to fight the Poll Tax. It isn't long now until April. ISA & KATHY.



I would like to know more about the campaign / become a member of the AAPTU*

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A mood of unease has been growing across England and Wales - unease at this present Government's plans to introduce the "Community Charge" or Poll Tax.

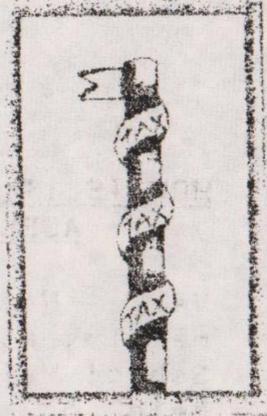
Nottingham is no exception to this and along with other Midlands cities like Leicester and Derby we have created a City-wide Anti-Poll Tax Federation.

The Nottingham Anti-Poll Tax Federation has been created to oversee the City's fight against this unpopular and unfair tax. The Federation has called for a mass campaign of non-payment (a campaign which has so far worked very well in Scotland) and a return to the standard rates system.

The Federation is open for any groups to join and send delegates, from pressure groups to Parent and Toddler groups.

Finally, look out for the Anti-Poll Tax events around the City, and please do get involved...

Your support for the fight in Nottingham is needed: join us!
NEIL.



THE POLL TAX IN SCOTLAND

The Poll Tax was introduced in Scotland earlier this year, in April. What happened? Anything? There hasn't been much in the news has there! Yet out of over three and a half million people, one million aren't paying a penny! This has been officially confirmed on Scottish BBC TV... but we haven't heard a word on our TV news. Guess why!
KEVIN.

If the Scottish percentage trend was repeated in England and Wales, where the tax is to be introduced next April, it would mean around nine million people refusing to pay!
JOHN.

ENGLAND AND WALES

In England and Wales Anti-Poll Tax Unions are everywhere! There was a meeting in London on the 1st of September, chaired by Labour M P David Nellist, to set up a National Federation for these Anti-Poll Tax Unions. A steering Committee was appointed and the National Federation will be formally set up at a conference in Manchester on the 25th of November.

Opposition to the Poll Tax is growing inside and outside the Government. Nottingham North's Labour M P, Mr Graham Allen, has claimed that the

government is "desperate" about its Poll Tax policy. He said: "Their local supporters appear to be getting very windy about the consequences".
JOHN.

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We have just seen that an extra 1 billion pounds has been thrown at the Poll Tax by the 1989 Conservative Party Conference. This amounts to nothing more than an electoral bribe and a payoff to the Tory back benchers: butter 'em up and shut 'em up!

The Government also promised that nobody will be out of pocket by more than £3.00 per week so long as their local Council stays within its budget limit. This spending limit has been set at an unnaturally low level of £247.00 per person which the Council will tell you is "Unworkable without massive job losses and huge cuts to essential services". The £3.00 promise is pie in the sky.
NEIL

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