

Scottish Socialist

Party

COUNCIL WORKERS VOICE

UNITE STRIKERS, CARERS & SERVICE USERS

**SSP PUBLIC MEETING
THURS 25th OCT
@ 1pm**

@ Laurie's Bar, King St, Trongate
speakers: Alison Kelly (Day Care UNISON
stewards' committee secretary); Day Service
Strikers; Carers & Parents;

Richie Venton (SSP trade union organiser)
ALL STRIKERS, CLIENTS & CARERS WELCOME

The Scottish Socialist Party applauds the magnificent unity in action of 260 Day Service strikers, plus the many carers, parents and service users who have shown their solidarity on the picket lines, at meetings, on the streets.

The cost-cutting Labour council badly underestimated workers and those who depend on the caring, professional service they provide when they launched their vicious attacks.

They probably thought the staff would never go through with the strike! Then they probably hoped they could turn clients and carers against strikers.

They have utterly failed on both counts.

The huge demo through Glasgow city centre on the first day of the strike should have rattled the axe-wielders hiding inside the City Chambers.

That was nothing compared to the display of unity on the streets on Friday, when noisy crowds of strikers, carers, clients, trade unionists and Scottish Socialist Party members marched and rallied in

Argyle St, Buchanan St and outside the Chambers. Even visiting dignitaries from the Commonwealth Games committee got the message.

This unity needs to continue and to be built upon.

The SSP has done what we can to foster unity and build support on the streets and in workplaces.

Trade union and workplace collections are a critical part of sustaining the strikers and putting the pressure on the councillors to back off, stop the horrendous cuts to wages and jobs, to reverse their plans for cuts to disabled people's services.

Attend the SSP public meeting - keep up the unity - keep up the fight against cuts to pay, jobs and vitally needed services.

The Council are on the run - keep chasing them!



"I am sick of being fobbed off by council leader Steven Purcell. When I rang him he said I know more about plans for the service than he does!

The council took the £1 allowance off disabled people and yet they still have them out painting fences and gardening.

Is that work in the community, or slave labour?"

Mary McArthur, parent

"It is the contempt from the council, the lack of recognition for the job we do, the failure to put us in the proper Role Profile, and the pay cuts. We are not out for gain, but only to protect the salaries we already work hard for."

A Maryhill picket



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