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I will not Dedicate a Whole Issue to the Jobs Massacre
Printed Copies of Managements Proposal available from Reps/Intranet

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Shock Over Boris's Lies!!!!

RMT's executive passed a motion last night condemning the cynical attempt by TfL to smuggle out their threat to axe 800 jobs in ticket offices and on platforms, a move that RMT General Secretary Bob Crow said will turn London's tube stations into a "muggers paradise".

RMT had twice leaked details of the TfL secret threat to close ticket offices and slash staffing levels at tube stations - on both occasions TfL accused the union of "scaremongering" but shamefaced tube bosses have now been forced to admit that RMT was right all along and that the Mayor's pre-election pledges not to close ticket offices and reduce staff are now in tatters.

Local Reps Details

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TSSA VOW TO FIGHT ALONGSIDE RMT!!

I have heard a soundbite on the news that TSSA have vowed to fight alongside RMT to halt these ludicrous plans
The below is from TSSA website

Boris betrays staff and voters over job cuts

London Mayor Boris Johnson has betrayed Tube staff and passengers by announcing 800 job cuts, the TSSA said today. General Secretary Gerry Doherty said the 450 specific job cuts in ticket offices broke an election pledge by the Mayor to keep them fully staffed at all times.

The union was now holding an urgent meeting with its London Underground reps to prepare its detailed response to the Mayor's proposals.

There are also numerous comments from drivers willing to join up and defend Station Staff. TFL has only been successful in one thing – Uniting the Unions (For Now)

A Few Answers To Points Made By Management

We have seen dramatic changes to the way that customers buy tickets, particularly with the success of the Oyster card and comprehensive provision of Advanced Fares Machines (AFMs). Today only around one in 20 journeys starts with a trip to the ticket office, and the decline in ticket office window sales is a continuing trend.

Could this be down to the fact THEY are driving passengers away from the ticket offices via Posters telling passengers to top up in outside agency shops / Minimum £5 Top Up?

Regular users of the Tube are far less likely to need assistance than more irregular users, such as tourists. As a result, we've found that we generally provide more staff in the morning peak than necessary, and need more staff at weekends when we have growing numbers of irregular users needing assistance. Changes to reflect this would mean a net reduction of between 150-200 CSA positions

Not taking into account the issues of Suspensions / Signal Failures / P.E.A's and other day to day issues that the "Regular" passenger will have to deal with interrupting their journeys to work and the Numerous V.I.P's who need assistance.

In the coming weeks we will be consulting with the trades unions about the proposals and will be sharing further details with you. We know that you will have a lot of questions about the proposed changes.

To avoid problems I have left the above blank for you to enter your own response to that one

The time is now to Unite Join a Union make your voice count only with the full weight of the Workers of this company will we Succeed in stopping these ridiculous cuts.

Visit your regions RMT Website:

www.rmtlondoncalling.org.uk www.rmtplatform.org.uk

www.easthammer.co.uk www.rmtjunction.org.uk

UNITE & FIGHT WITH THE RMT

The Shocks Keep Coming

BNP membership rules still discriminatory, court rules

The British National Party's new membership rules are likely to discriminate against non-white people, a judge has ruled.

The BNP voted to scrap its whites-only policy after a legal threat from the Equality and Human Rights Commission.

A judge at Central London County Court has ruled the party's new constitution is still indirectly discriminatory.



BNP leader Nick Griffin says the constitution is legal (Yeah Right)

I will be Attending an Anti Fascism Conference on March the 27th in Nottingham

Emergency Level 1 Update

We raised two items for an Emergency Level 1 these being

Reserve Staff Duties being changed by more than 2 Hours with 24 hours notice (**Raised to Company Level by both TSSA & RMT Functional Reps**)

Rostered Staff Being made to move stations during Engineering hours & SS at East Ham Spare to Station now suddenly spare to group.

(Breakdown in Communications due to management unwilling to Discuss - Raised to Functional)

Next Branch Meeting

Thursday April 1, 2010 16:45

East Ham Working Man's Club

Nearest Station - Upton Park

Directions

Turn Right out of Upton Park Station

Walk down Green Street until you reach the Boleyn Pub

Turn Left onto Barking Road

Boleyn Road is the second turning on the left

The Entrance is round the back by the car park.

Your Voice Counts

£5 Minimum Top Up

We have had conflicting reports on this. There has been a comment from Head Office stating that discretion can be used amid outrage from both the public and staff (And a huge increase in assaults) Then in the same breath 2 members of staff given warnings on another group for not doing the £5 minimum. The choice is yours and I won't advise either way but the ballot is as far as I am aware almost ready to come out I urge everyone to use their vote whatever you decide but bear in mind this is aiding the argument for job cuts. Vote whichever way **your** heart tells you just make sure **you** get your voice heard.

Everything In Writing

Just another reminder that "all incidents not part of the day to day running of the station" should be put into an EIRF as there have been a few incidents lately that have not been raised for such reasons as "the person has left the station" etc this is not good enough. Everything that involves the police must be EIRF'd this increases the police presence on our stations and helps protect staff. Secondly all complaints to Reps about anything **MUST** be in writing as we cannot act upon anything said verbally.

Network Rail

RAIL UNION RMT confirmed today that members on Network Rail maintenance have voted by 77% for strike action and by 89% for action short of a strike over plans by the company to axe up to 1500 safety-critical jobs and to rip up national agreements on working practices.

The RMT executive will now discuss the next steps in the dispute at a meeting next Friday – 19th March - in light of the massive mandate for action that has been delivered by the members and to consider the ballot result in sister rail union TSSA. RMT has issued a further call to Network Rail Chairman Rick Haythornthwaite today to re-open talks on the maintenance cuts plans.

MOVED OR CHANGED JOB? Did you know

you can change your membership detail securely online by accessing the [Members area](#)? It is vital that you tell us of any changes so we can include you in the right ballots and fully represent your interests.

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