## Hazards Conference Bazards 2018 to be held at Keele University, Stoke-on-Trent

27<sup>th</sup>- 29<sup>th</sup> July

## Hazards 2018 Sponsorship Appeal

We are grateful for the generous support for Hazards 2017 by our sponsors in Unions nationally, regionally, at branches, trades councils, individuals, and union-linked personal injury solicitors. We hope this vital support will continue for Hazards 2018. Feedback was excellent from 350 safety reps and activists, around half of whom were new delegates, from all types of workplaces, all unions, and from all over the UK, coming together to discuss 'Organising health, safety and welfare in an insecure world'.

Hazards Conference is the UK's biggest and best educational and organising event for trade union safety reps and activists from all different sectors, trade unions, organisations and workplaces. Delegates have a unique opportunity to prioritise and concentrate on health and safety concerns and talk to national and international health and safety campaigners, activists and trade unionists.

At Hazards 2017 we were privileged to have **Jessica Martinez** speaking. Jessica is the director of US COSH, which is facing major challenges because of the deregulatory agenda of the Trump regime and the cut to funding to their organisation. In addition there have been a number of huge hurricanes which have not only cost lives but absolutely devastated local communities and environments and caused major occupation safety catastrophes. **Dan Shears, GMB** National Health, Safety and Environment Director gave an overview of how UK occupational health and safety will be affected by Brexit.

The conference is an opportunity to hear from workers and organisers involved in industrial action about current health, safety and welfare issues. The 'Better than zero' organiser **Bryan Simpson** spoke passionately about their inspirational campaigning work and **Barry Faulkner** on the Sports Direct

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action. **Paul Maloney** the author of 'The Therapy Industry', addressed a session on individual therapy vs collective action. **Helen Lynn** from Alliance for Cancer Prevention and **Susan Murray** from **Unite** spoke at a meeting on 'Towards zero workrelated cancer'. There were various campaign meetings: on asbestos, workplace welfare, international solidarity, dangers of dogs, and FACK. There were also legal updates given by different solicitors on various health and safety issues and speakers from **Unison**, **Prospect** and **Usdaw**. There was a choice of eighteen workshops, and many first time representatives that were able to gain new knowledge and skills to take back to their workplaces. We try to ensure there are several new workshops each year.

**Tracey Seward** (FACK) and her brother **Mick Lancaster** spoke emotionally about the devastating impact of the death of her husband Mark on their family and daughter Daisy. Finally we launched the Hazards Campaign e-postcards 'We love red tape, it's better than bloody bandages' campaign, against deregulation. www.hazardscampaign.org.uk/postcards A full report of the conference can be found at

## www.hazardscampaign.org.uk

Please find a copy of all the organisations that sponsored the conference this year, on the reverse of this appeal. The **sponsorship is extremely important** as it means that we can keep down the price of the conference to individuals and union branches. **Please consider our appeal positively.** 

BACS payments are available or cheques made payable to Hazards 2018, and sent to: Hazards 2018, GMHC, Windrush Millennium Centre, 70 Alexandra Road, Manchester, M16 7WD. Telephone: 0161 636 7558, Email: <u>hazconf@gmhazards.org.uk</u>

Thank you in advance for your support.

We are sponsoring the $29^{th}$ National Hazards Conference. Please sendcopies of the booking forms when they are printed in 2018. I enclose a sponsorship cheque for £ payable to Hazards 2018.
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## Sponsorship List from 2017:

National Unions: ATL; BFAWU; Chartered Society of Physiotherapy; Community; CWU; FBU; GMB; GFTU; NASUWT; NUT; POA; RMT; Society of Radiographers; UCU; UNISON; UNITE; USDAW. Union Regional Organisations and Sections: ASLEF District Council No 3; FBU Region 9; GMB London Region; GMB Scotland; GMB West Midlands Region; RMT London & Anglia Regional Council; UCATT Yorkshire Region; UNISON North West Region, UNISON Northern Region; UNITE East Midlands Region; UNISON West Midlands; UNITE North East & Yorkshire & Humberside Region; UNITE North West Region, UNITE South East Regional Centre, Unite West Midlands Region.

Trade Union Branches: ASLEF: Battersea Branch 019; Doncaster Branch No 61; Edinburgh No 2 Branch, Hull 104 Branch; Immingham Branch; Kings Cross Branch; Longsight Branch; Skipton Branch 189; Wolverhampton Branch. CWU: Coventry Branch; Lancashire & Cumbria Branch; Somerset Devon & Cornwall Branch; West Yorkshire Branch. GMB: B 10 Banbury Branch; Blackburn 16 Branch; C40 Care Branch; Cambridge 2 Branch; Derbyshire Community D44 Branch; Durham General Branch; East Dereham Branch; GMB 229 Branch; Goole Branch; Ipswich & District Branch; L43 Lowestoft Branch; Leicestershire 2000 Branch; Milton Keynes City Branch; Newcastle & North Tyne Branch; Newcastle & North Tyne General Branch; Northants Community Branch; Redcar Engineering Branch. NASUWT: Tameside Branch. NUT: Bury Division; Manchester Teachers Association RMT: Bristol Branch; Cardiff No 7 Branch; Croydon No 1 Branch; Paddington No 1 Branch; Portsmouth Branch; Sheffield & District Branch; Southall Ealing & Slough Branch; TFL No 1 Branch; Wishaw & Motherwell Branch. UCATT: Durham Branch; Everton Branch UD088; Newark & Grantham Branch UE 114; St. Helens UD431 Branch; UG365 No 3 Portsmouth Branch; York 1st Branch UC126. UCU: Salford NW113 Branch. Unison: Burnley Branch; Central Bristol Health Branch; Central Manchester Healthcare Branch; City of Edinburgh Branch: City of Stoke on Trent L.G. Branch: Cumbria County Branch: Environment Agency NW Branch: Fife Branch; Glasgow City Branch 07304; Gloucestershire DHC Branch 21311; Greater Manchester Fire Branch; Herts Police Staff Branch; Housing & Care Scotland Branch; Kirklees Branch; Knowsley Branch; Lanarkshire Health Branch; Lancashire Care NHS Trust Branch; Lancashire Police Branch; Leeds & Yorks Community Health Branch; Leeds Local Government Branch; London Waste Branch; Manchester Branch: Mersevside Police Branch: Mid Yorkshire Health Branch: Mid-Staffordshire LG Branch: Newcastle City Branch; NHS Glasgow Clyde & CVS Branch; North Cheshire Health Branch; Portsmouth City Branch; Rochdale Local Government Branch; Sheffield Local Government Branch; Sheffield Teaching Hospitals 13346 Branch; Shetland 21871 Branch; South Eastern Gas Branch; South Manchester Hospitals Branch; St. Helens & Knowsley Health Branch 06445; Staffordshire Branch; Staffordshire University Branch; Stockport L.G. Branch; University of the West of England Branch; West Midlands Community Branch; West Yorkshire Police Branch; Wolverhampton Branch. Unite the Union: 6/413 Branch; Barrow 0401 Branch; Basildon Craft 3301M Branch; Bolton 0121 Branch; Bradford 2 NE/0130 Branch; Branch LE1/684; Cambridge Medical 369 Branch; Civil Aviation Branch LE0443 Branch; Clerkenwell & St. Pancras Branch; Edinburgh Not for Profit Branch; EM-DE24 Ferodo Branch; Fylde Coast Branch (0520M); LE 10-671 Branch; LE/0010M Branch South London Medical; LE/372 Branch; LE/7383E e2v Workplace Branch; LE10 Branch - Tilbury Docks; LE127 UCU Staff Branch; Liverpool Construction Branch NW/0541; London & North West Branch 9708; London Finance & Legal Services Branch LE0480M; N.W 785 Vauxall Composite Branch; NE/100/34 (Wm Morrison Branch); NE/GEO/1 (Sheffield East Branch); NE/GEO/12 Branch; NE/GEO/22 Branch; Northern Powergrid Branch NE/204/5; NW 389 Branch; NW 64 BAE Systems Branch; Preston 0754 Branch; Preston and South Ribble 0522 Branch; Scunthorpe NEGEO/5 Branch; Scunthorpe Steelworks NE205/3 Branch; South West London Branch; University of Leicester Branch; WM 7685 Branch; WM 7686 Branch; WM/6030 Birmingham South Local Branch; Yeovil Branch SW/8007

Joint Shop Stewards Committee: Land Rover Shop Stewards Committee.

**Trades Union Councils:** Blackburn and District Trades Council; Doncaster & District TUC; Hull & District TUC; Kilmarnock & Loudoun TUC; Merthyr Tydfil Trades Council; Wolverhampton, Bilston & District. **Hazards Organisations, Campaigns and Victim Support Groups:** Clydebank Asbestos Group; Joint Union Asbestos Committee (ASCL, ATL, NASUWT, NAHT, NUT, Voice, UNISON, UNITE and GMB); EMAR Foundation for Labour Research; UK National Work Stress Network.

**Personal Injury Solicitors:** Irwin Mitchell; Leigh Day & Co; McMillan Williams; Thompson Solicitors LLP. **Individuals:** Pat Kinnersley; Rob Marris; Glyn Baker; Steve Tombs.