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Budget Is A Well Crafted Con Trick

Working families hit by cuts in tax credits should join a union to fight for better pay from employers who can well afford it as Osborne confirms says GMB

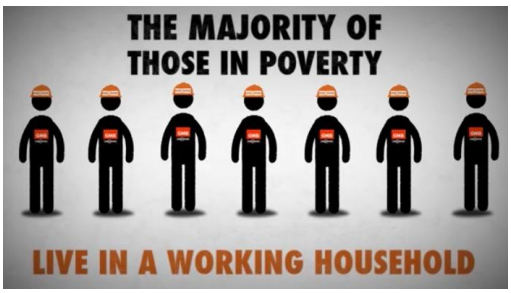
Paul Kenny, GMB General Secretary, said “This is a beautifully crafted con trick by Osborne.

On the one hand he offers a vision of a living wage which is welcome. He confirms what GMB has being saying for some time – the vast majority of employers can afford pay rises and no amount of howling from CBI will alter that fact. On the other hand he is taking away money from working families without any guarantee that they will be better off.

For the huge numbers of working families that will be hit by cuts in tax credits the answer is simple – they should join a union to fight for better pay from employers who can well afford it as Osborne confirms.

George Osborne is big in attacking working families and young workers but he has yet to take action on the billions of public money flowing out of the country into tax havens because of the abuse of housing benefits income by private landlords."

There has never been a more important time to be in a union; to stand together against injustice and low pay." -
Brian Strutton



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Centrepoint

Birmingham & West Midlands quarterly magazine is now available online

Retiring from work?

Even if you have reached retirement age you don't have to leave GMB. Apply to join GMB's Retired Members Association.

Update your details

Moved home? Got Married? Changed your Job? If your details have changed let us know so you don't miss out on important information.

GMB shout! lesbiangaybisexualtrans

www.gmbshout.net

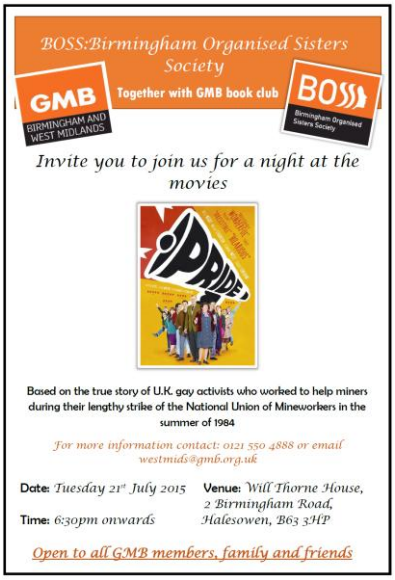
GMB is committed to protecting, promoting and furthering employment rights and full equality for any worker who identifies themselves as a lesbian, gay, bisexual and/or trans (LGBT) person. If you wish to discuss any issues or concerns, in confidence, please contact branch office.

GMB, along with support from Port Vale FC continue to champion the White Ribbon campaign against domestic violence.

We are selling ribbons to raise funds for local domestic abuse charities. If you would like to support our campaign please speak to the branch office.

GMB BOSS along with the regional book club invite you to

A NIGHT AT THE MOVIES



GMB Birmingham & West Midlands Region are holding it's first ever movie night on Tuesday 21st July at 6.30pm at the Halesowen Regional Office.

The first of many films that will be played is Pride! Based on the true story of U.K. gay activists who worked to help miners during their lengthy strike of the National Union of Mineworkers in the summer of 1984.If you are interested and would like to attend please contact the region on 0121 550 4888

Chainmakers Festival 11-12 July 2015

This years festival will be held on Sunday 12 July 2015 from 11am till 6pm and will be taking place at:

Cradley Heath High Street
Cradley Heath
Sandwell, B64 5JH

There will also be stalls, face painting, circus skills, funfair, music & comedy from 'The Fizzog's', period theatrical re-enactments - including Lynn Morris as Mary Macarthur

We are always looking for new representatives to be the voice of the GMB in the workplace. Contact us on 01215695990 for an informal chat about the role.

Join online at www.gmb.org.uk/join