

Please return by 31st January 2017

SURVEY: `Leicester International Workers Centre for Social & Economic Justice`.

Introduction

Please complete the survey below & return it in a sealed envelope to: Mark Mizzen, Leicester Red-Thread Co-op`, c/o/ CASE, 1 The Crescent, King Street, Leicester LE1 6RX.

The survey is for the new Leicester International Workers Centre for Social & Economic Justice. Information that could identify you individually will not be published and will only be available to `Leicester Red-Thread Co-operative`.

If you have any immediate queries please contact Mark Mizzen on email: m_mizzenluwc@yahoo.co.uk

Please find below some principles and activities for the proposed Leicester Centre. **Please tick those principles and activities that you support:**

1. The new Centre should be attractive, safe and welcoming.
2. Have a social café style meeting area open to trade unionists, supporters and the public interested to learn about trade unions.
3. Meeting space for affiliated workers to organise activities.
4. Trade union/worker news & web casts on screens around the centre.
5. Reception and information area to respond to enquires.
6. Unemployed & worker support e.g. where to get welfare rights advice.
7. Training space for learning how to Campaign.
8. Discussion group for the Unemployed & those in danger of poverty.
9. Information, Communication & Technology (ICT) Computer area.
10. Community education / skills development – e.g. political education through to literacy & numeracy support.
11. Jobs search – Including support & referrals to existing providers.
12. Small interview rooms e.g. for one-to-one advice sessions.

13. Campaigns to secure decent employment & full welfare entitlement.

14. Developing trade unionism & socialism through the Arts.

15. Issues to campaign and fight for. Please tick examples of themes you could support below.

a. Trade Union recruitment, recognition & support.

b. Ending child poverty in Leicester & Leicestershire.

c. Decent affordable and accessible Housing for all.

d. Greening Leicester/shire: Stop poisoning adults & children by pollution.

e. Social and economic equality for the working class, including the following:

i. Race & Class ii. Women & Class iii. Young people & Class

iv. Disability & Class v. LGBT & Class vi. Other (please state).....

f. Research group for campaigns such as challenging exploitation of workers, including apprentices, at Sports Direct, NEXT, Amazon & Samworth Brothers.

g. Fighting to expose & stop predatory 'Free' schools in Leicester and beyond.

h. Defending the NHS.

16. Additional charitable activities (Please tick those you would support).

a. Breakfast club for the homeless.

b. Social & sports activities for the poor and those in danger of poverty.

c. Other Charitable activities - please state your ideas here if any.....

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17. Volunteering.

a. Would you be interested in becoming a Centre Volunteer?

a. Yes

b. No

c. Maybe

18. If yes or you maybe interested in volunteering, please tick the relevant boxes below to give an idea of your interests.

a. Trade Union specialist library.

b. Media watch group.

- c. Photography / recording events activities.
- d. Conversational support – help people with their English language skills.
- e. As a guide to show & take people into local support centres.
- f. In Reception providing information to the public and supporters.
- g. Help in the café / social meeting area.
- h. Showing people how to use computers.
- i. As a steward for centre events and activities.
- j. As a member of a centre discussion group (See campaigns above).
- k. As a Trainer – e.g. Showing how to run meetings or dealing with the media.
- l. Events research – finding activities such as theatre groups to invite.
- m. As a friend to trade union activists under stress.
- n. Legal observer for organised events including protests
- o. With practical activities such as decorating.

19. Would you be interested in attending a 2 day free volunteers training course geared to the new Leicester International Workers Centre?

20. Are you a member of a trade union?

a. Please state which union you are in.....

b. If not in a trade union would you be interested in joining one?

Yes Maybe No

21. Employment status (Please state below)

i. Unemployed ii. Retired iii. Student

iv. Self-employed? v. in employment?

vi. If Other please state

22. Would you be interested in having a job at the Centre?

23. Support organisations (Please see over onto the next page)

Are you a member of a group that may support or work with the new centre?
Please tick the appropriate box below then state group/organisations.

- a. Trade Union branch/region or nationally
- b. Local campaigning group
- c. Political Party, organisation or group
- d. Workers body e.g. Co-op` or shop stewards c`ttee
- e. Charitable body
- f. Community Organisation
- g. A Fund provider

24. Your contact details – We will send you information on centre activities.

Name:

What name would you prefer to be called?

Address:

Postcode:.....

Contact email address:.....

Contact phone number:..... **Date**

25. Funding

Would you support the centre with a regular or one-off donation – you would receive the Centre newsletter on its activities?

Yes No Maybe

26. Please provide comments, ideas and skills you could contribute here.....

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Please return your completed survey in a sealed envelope to the address above. A follow-up equalities questionnaire will then be sent to you.

Thank you,

Mark Mizzen, For Leicester Red-Thread Co-operative