



# SUTR-UAF campaign against fascist 'Tommy Robinson'

**"I want to say a massive thank you to you all for everything that's been done so far since the start of this campaign... particularly to Unite Against Fascism and Stand Up to Racism." ● ANDY BURNHAM, Metro-Mayor, Greater Manchester City Region**

**Stand Up to Racism (SUTR) and Unite Against Fascism (UAF) launched the campaign against 'Tommy Robinson' – with the support of trades unions, politicians and others – on the night he announced he was standing in the European Elections.**

**Signatories to the statement supporting the SUTR/UAF campaign include:**

Kate Green MP; Barbara Keeley MP; Lisa Nandy MP; Jo Platt MP; Angela Rayner MP; Jonathan Reynolds MP; Cat Smith MP; CWU North West Region; GMB North West & Irish Region; PCS North West Region; Unite the Union North West Region; Kevan Nelson, UNISON North West Regional Secretary; Ritchie James, Regional Secretary, Unite the Union North West; Peter Middleman, NEU North West Regional Secretary; Dawn Taylor, NEU NEC; Neil Smith, Gmb NW & Irish Region Political Officer; Claire Jones, PCS

NW region political officer; Mark Rowe, FBU NW Regional Secretary; Sharon Hutchinson, Unite The Union NW Regional Women's & Equalities officer; Richard Leese, Leader, Manchester Council; Joe Anderson, Mayor of Liverpool; Steve Rotheram, Metro-Mayor, Liverpool City Region; Andrew Western, Leader, Trafford Council; Matthew Brown, Leader, Preston Council; Liverpool City Councillors: Steve Munby, Nick Small, Emily Spurrell, Jeremy Wolfson; Preston Councillors: Freddie Bailey; Anna Hindle; Alison Spencer-Scragg, Unite NW Regional Political Officer; Anna Rothery, Liverpool Mayoral Lead for Equality & Race Equality and Liverpool City Councillor; Paula Barker, North West Regional Convenor, UNISON; and others.

**SUTR & UAF distributed thousands of leaflets, posters and stickers across the North West. Here we list some of the campaign activities.**

● **Thurs 25th April:** North West Regional SUTR/UAF Campaign launch against



'Tommy Robinson' in Albert Square Manchester. Speakers included Paula Barker, UNISON NW Regional Convenor; Alison Spencer-Scragg, NW Regional Political Officer, Unite the union; Councillors and others.

● **Sat 27th April:** Manchester campaign launch in St Peter's Square, with Kate Green MP and Julie Ward MEP, followed by leafleting. Liverpool leafleting: with Anna Rothery (Mayoral Lead for Equality & Race Equality) & Paula Barker (UNISON NW Regional Officer).

● **Sun 28th April:** No to Tommy Robinson In Salford SUTR/UAF campaign launch, Bexley Square, with speakers including Debbie Brannan, Regional Co-ordinating Officer, Unite the union North West.

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Burnley



Barrow



>>> **Wed 1st May:** Liverpool University leafleting.

● **Thurs 2nd May:** Warrington protest against Robinson; Bury Met leafleting.

● **Fri 3rd May:** Manchester Piccadilly leafleting; North West Regional organising meeting in Manchester: 'Stop fascist Tommy Robinson – Keep racism out of elections' with representation from across the region.

● **Sat 4th May:** Market St Manchester campaign stall; Lancaster May Day March & Rally: leafleting & speakers including Cat Smith MP & Paul Jenkins (UAF); Liverpool: Church Street stall & leafleting.

● **Sun 5th May:** Eccles protest and leafleting against Robinson, with Barbara Keeley MP and others; Leafleting of May Day events in Manchester & Salford, including meeting organised by UNISON Regional Black Members' Committee. Speakers included Nahella Ashraf (SUTR).

● **Monday 6th May:** Burnley May Day March & Rally: leafleting, speakers included Angela Rayner MP, Julie Cooper MP, Wajid Khan MEP & Paul Jenkins (UAF); Liverpool May Day March & Rally: leafleting, with politicians and trades union representatives; Blackpool Protest against Robinson; Lancaster SUTR/UAF campaign meeting: speakers – Cat Smith MP and Paul Jenkins (UAF).

● **Tues 7th May:** Manchester University students campaign stall; 'No Place in Stockport for Tommy Robinson' Rally.

● **Wed 8th May:** Liverpool: Church St and Central Station stall & leafleting; Manchester: leafleting Piccadilly train station; Stockport leafleting; UAF speaker at Merseyside Pensioners Association meeting.

● **Thurs 9th May:** St Helens leafleting.

● **Fri 10th May:** Mosques in Rusholme and Old Trafford leafleting; Blackburn Unity Rally Against Racist Robinson; Leafleting of UNISON rally, Liverpool, selfies of SUTR/UAF poster with trades unionists and politicians including Laura Smith MP.

● **Sat 11th May:** Tommy Robinson not welcome in Prestwich; Bury campaign stall; Bolton rally/leafleting against Robinson; Manchester: Market St

Campaign stall; Barrow: Town centre stall and leafleting; Lancaster city centre stall and leafleting; Burnley leafleting; Liverpool city centre stall and leafleting; Stockport leafleting; Liverpool: city centre leafleting.

● **Sun 12th May:** Birkenhead protest against Robinson. 'Use your vote' leafleting at Old Trafford.

● **Mon 13th May:** Wigan leafleting; Manchester Oxford Rd Station leafleting.

● **Tues 14th May:** Manchester planning meeting; Barrow leafleting.

● **Wed 15th May:** Manchester: Piccadilly station leafleting; Liverpool: Church Street stall & leafleting.

● **Thurs 16th May:** Trades Union Day of Action; Rochdale College leafleting; Launch of Old Trafford group, meeting and leafleting; Barrow UAF protest against Robinson.

● **Fri 17th May:** Trade Union Day of Action; Didsbury mosque leafleting, Cheadle Masjid leafleting, Rusholme mosque leafleting, Old Trafford mosques leafleting; LGBT+ Against Tommy Robinson Rally in the Gay Village, followed by leafleting.

● **Sat 18th May:** Regional Day of Action – leafleting and stalls in Carlisle, Crewe, Liverpool, Manchester & Preston (with MPs Mark Hendrick & Cat Smith); Manchester SUTR/UAF Rally with Andy Burnham (Metro Mayor Greater Manchester City Region), Kate Green MP, Julie Ward MEP, Wendy Olsen of the Green Party; Liverpool SUTR/UAF rally with Steve Rotheram

(Metro Mayor, Liverpool City Region), Debbie Brannan (Unite the union), and Anna Rothery (Mayoral Lead for Equality & Race Equality) – held at Unite the Union NW Regional Office; No Place for Robinson rallies in Oldham and Heywood.

● **Sun 19th May:** Protests against Robinson in Bootle and Huyton, Merseyside. Speakers at Huyton included Steve Rotheram, Sean Donnelly (Council Leader), George Howarth MP & Paul Jenkins (UAF); Manchester Market St campaign stall; Barrow leafleting; Morecambe leafleting of Festival Market.

● **Mon 20th May:** Wigan leafleting with Lisa Nandy MP; Unite North West Region launch campaign 'Vote to stop the far right'; Manchester Piccadilly train station leafleting; SUTR/UAF at Preston Milkshake Party.

● **Tues 21st May:** 'No Place in Burnley for Tommy Robinson' rally, protest & leafleting; Barrow leafleting; Manchester Piccadilly train station leafleting.

● **Wed 22nd May:** 'No Place for Tommy Robinson' protest rally, Mocha Parade, Salford; Longridge leafleting, Ribble Valley; Liverpool Church Street stall & leafleting with Neil Smith (GMB NW & Irish Region Political Officer), Liverpool City Councillor Nick Small & others.

● **Thurs 23 May:** Election Day leafleting at Victoria & Piccadilly stations, Manchester; and Moorfields Station, Liverpool.

● **Sun 26th May:** SUTR/UAF rally against racism and fascism at election count. Speakers include Theresa Griffin MEP.

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