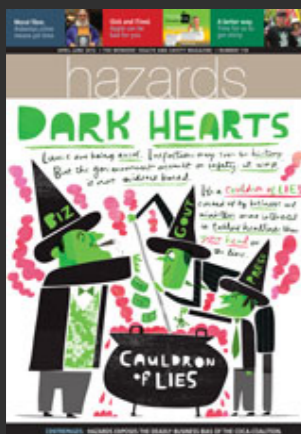
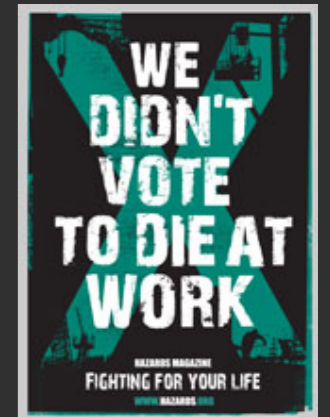


# Being a Hazards Campaigner



# Introduction

- Worked for Chesapeake Print & Packaging Leicester
- Been there 24yrs
- Senior Unite Health & Safety Rep
- Been a H&S rep for 7yr
  - Snr H&S rep for 5yrs
- Also Hazards campaigner, supporter of FACK.

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# Why I got involved in the Hazards Campaign

- The evidence provided by the Hazards Campaign is clear!
  - Too many workers/people being killed
    - More than 1,300 people die each year in work related incidents. (Approx 4 a day)
    - 50,000+ die of work related illnesses.
    - about 5,000 from asbestos diseases.
    - 20,000 from heart disease caused by stress alone.

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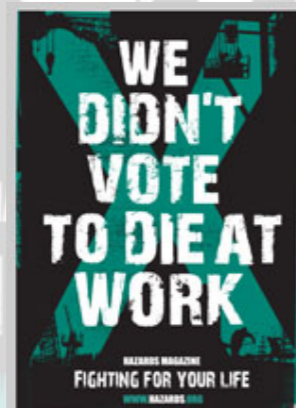
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# Why I got involved in the Hazards Campaign

- Hazard conferences
  - Attending workshops
- Hearing the truth on what this Government are doing to Health & Safety.
  - Slashing and attacking Health & Safety
- Hearing what I could to stop them.
  - Joining the **We Didn't Vote to Die at Work** and the **Stop it your'e killing us** Hazards campaigns



# Why I got involved in the Hazards Campaign

- Workers protection being removed
  - Proactive HSE inspections (11,000)
  - Proactive Local Authority (56,000)
  - Plus lots more, the list is almost endless
- They are attacking 'your' workplace safety
- It is everyone's right to go to work and come home safe. Not end up dead because an employer didn't take our safety seriously.
- It is time to say 'no more' and defend!

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# Ways to get involved in the Hazards Campaign

- Keep yourself well informed of health & safety developments.
  - Its part of our duty as a safety rep (SRSC 1977)
- Check Hazards & Hazards Campaign website regularly
- Subscribe to Hazards Magazine



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## Hazards Campaign

- Workers' Memorial Day
- Hazards Conference
- Directory
- Campaign Charter
- Asbestos
- Calendar of events

The Hazards Campaign is a network of resource centres and campaigners on health and safety at work

WORKERS' MEMORIAL DAY 28TH APRIL. Remember the Dead. Fight for the living

### Union workplaces are safer workplaces!

HSE's dithering, denial and delay on workplace cancer is deadly! - 2 August 2012 [more](#)

Breast cancer - Hazards Campaign letter to The Guardian - 29 May 2012 [more](#)

Hazards conference 2012 - Countering the attack on the safe workplace, 31 August - 2 September, University of Keele [booking form](#) • [sponsorship form](#) • [the Alan nomination form](#)

If over 40 per cent of cancer is attributable to lifestyle and the environment, what about the other 60 per cent? Alliance for Cancer Prevention - 12 December 2011 [more](#)

What a carry-on! Grayling carries on wrecking 'elf and safety despite the evidence (or lack of it!) - 28 November 2011 [more](#)

"Clegg - stop talking such utter cobbler!" - 25 October 2011 [more](#)

Hazards conference 2011 - HSE cuts mean we need better organisation 2-4 September, University of Keele [booking form](#) • [sponsorship form](#)

Hazards Campaign comment on employment minister Chris Grayling's Butlins bumper car letter - 24 August 2011 [more](#)

Hazards Campaign comment on PM Cameron's linking the riots and looting to health and safety legislation - 18 August 2011 [more](#)

Hazards Campaign response to the Lofstedt review - 9 August 2011 [more](#)

[www.hazardscampaign.org.uk/](http://www.hazardscampaign.org.uk/)

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# Within our own unions locally

- Get involved in your local union
  - Area Activists Committee
    - Sub H&S committee formed
  - Health & Safety meetings
  - Get H&S on the agenda
  - Talk to Union H&S courses
- Use events/days to promote Health & Safety and show the true facts/figures
  - Workers Memorial Day (WMD)
    - WMD website & Hazards campaign
  - Union safety week



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## Within our own unions nationally

- Raise motions through the proper channels.
  - The current state of Health & Safety
    - Urge our unions to take action
  - The way we should be moving forward
    - Protecting and enforcing
- Submit articles to your Health & Safety departments
  - Current state of H&S/Dangers facing workforce
- Get involved in marches & demo's

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THE GOVERNMENT'S ATTACK ON WORKPLACE SAFETY IS A DEADLY MISTAKE

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## What else?

- Lobby your MP
- Write a letter to British Safety Council
- Let your local labour & other councillors know the truth
  - Many councillors don't know the truth about what's going on
  - A labour councillor challenged me to prove that things were as bad I said they were.
    - Easily sorted. Copies of Hazards & relevant facts supplied.

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# WE DON'T WANT TO DIE AT WORK

## Social media?

- Use social media to talk about H&S
- Talk about the positives of H&S
  - Challenge the Myths with the facts/promote the good correct the bad
  - Get the truth out there
    - on Twitter etc
      - Don't talk about your work issues
- I've had some interesting chats on twitter with MP's, Safety bodies, Councilors and activists
  - One resulted in being asked to write an article for the Labour Rose website

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# Conclusion

- We have a great resource in the Hazard Campaign at our disposal
  - Lets use it for good effect
  - Collectively we can make a difference
- Join in the fight to save lives
- Get active, Lobby, write, leaflet etc
- Stay in touch through
  - [www.hazards.org](http://www.hazards.org) [www.hazardscampaign.org.uk/](http://www.hazardscampaign.org.uk/)
- Facebook site
  - [We didn't vote to die at work](#)

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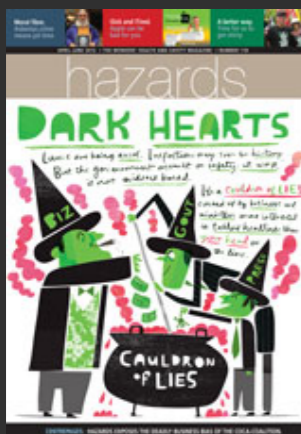
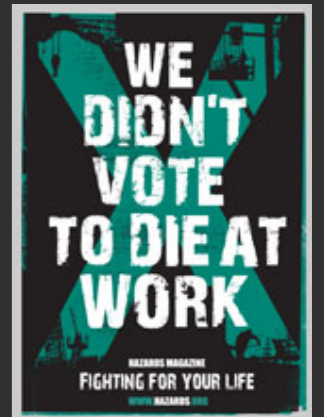
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# Thankyou for listening



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