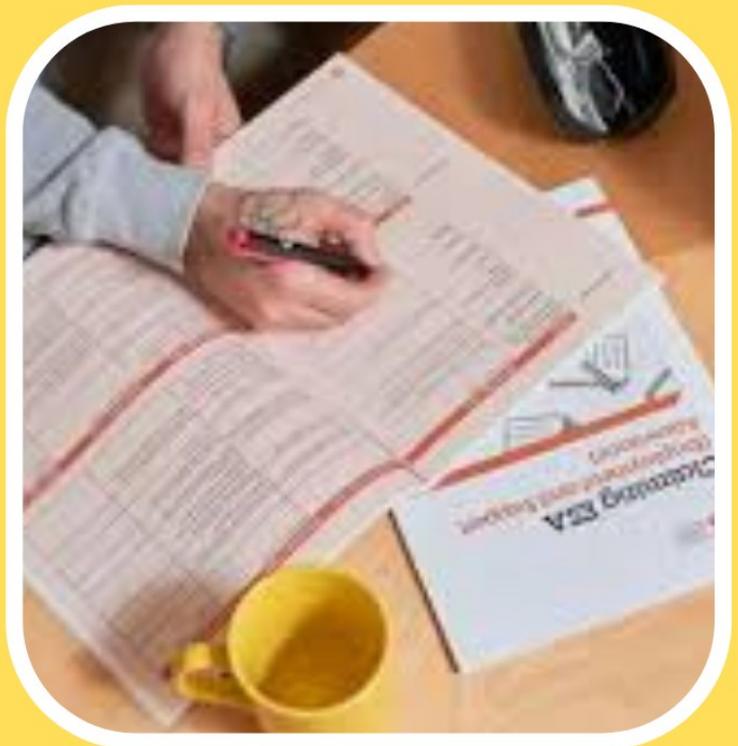
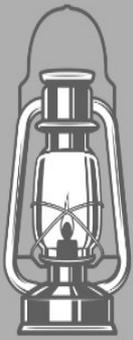


Despite the report of funding cuts by Chesterfield Borough Council over the next two years- We want to reassure you that we are still here in Chesterfield, Bolsover, North East Derbyshire and Amber Valley. Chesterfield Borough Council have been our most consistent supporter since the Centre's launch in 1983. We hope we continue to have their support.

SOLIDARITY HIGHLIGHTS

- MINERS' STRIKE EXHIBITION
- GOING ON TOUR
- CAMPAIGN WORK
- MAY DAY 2024
- NEW STARTERS





Steve Brunt, former Mayor of Chesterfield, who was an Arkwright Colliery miner and flying picket organiser, gave a lecture 'Reflections on the Miners' Strike'



Kate Alvey, from Chesterfield Women's Action Group and wife of a Markham Miner.



On the 6th March we launched our Miners' Strike exhibition commemorating the Great Strike of 84-85. The event in the Assembly rooms in the Market Hall kindly donated by Chesterfield Borough Council. Throughout March many events were held, including the showing of the film 'Dole not Cole', speakers from North Derbyshire Women's Action Group, and continual film footage from the time. We had 1643 people come through the doors of the exhibition and were so touched by their kind words and shared memories.

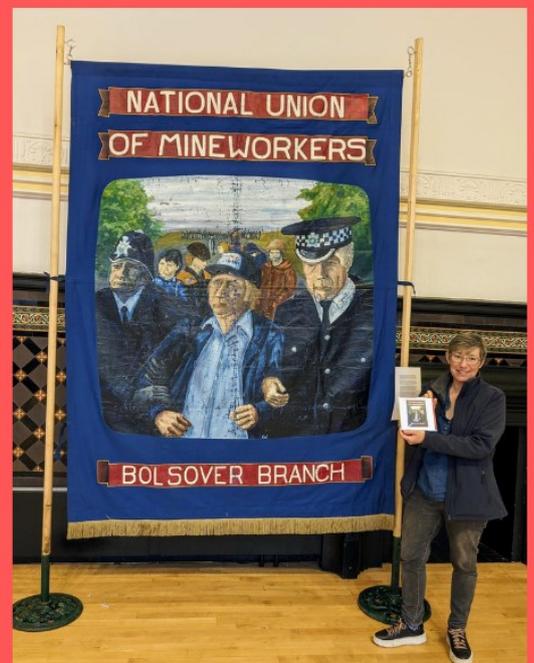
Women of the Working Class



Rob Vardy presents Janet Wilson with a Derbyshire NUM badge in respect of her fantastic work for the Chesterfield Women's Action Group during the miners' strike. Janet has provided much of the film footage that was on show at the exhibition. Her support has been invaluable and together with the women of Derbyshire WAGS has been the inspiration behind our commemoration of solidarity and community

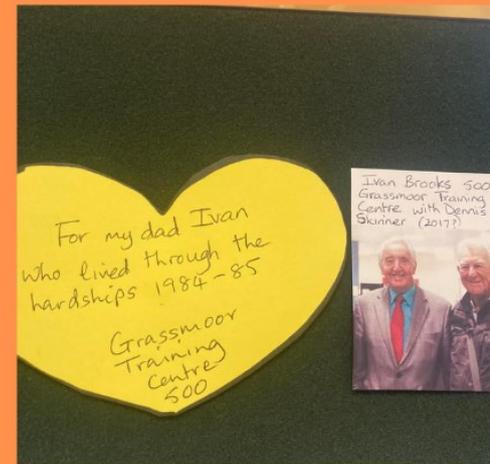
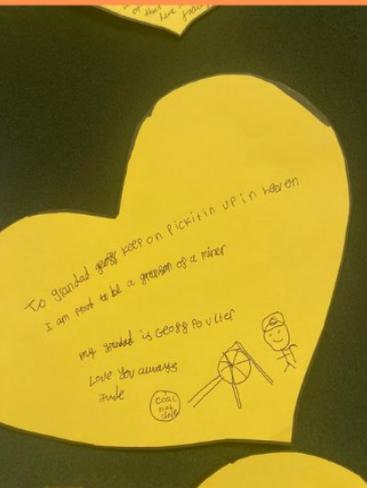


Kathryn Webley was an 18-year-old art student at Chesterfield College when she painted the banner at her family's home in Stanfree. Her dad, an electrician at Duckmanton workshops was on strike, and her mum was secretary for the local Labour party and agent for Dennis Skinner.

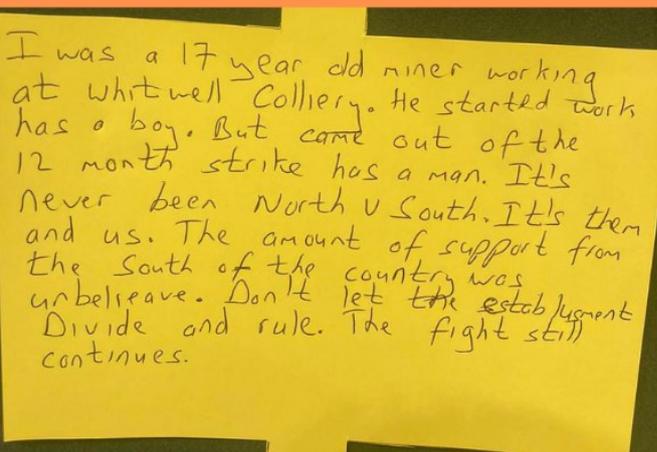




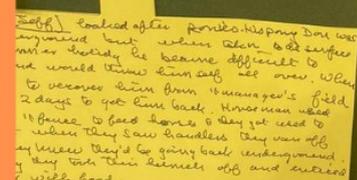
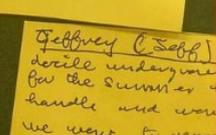
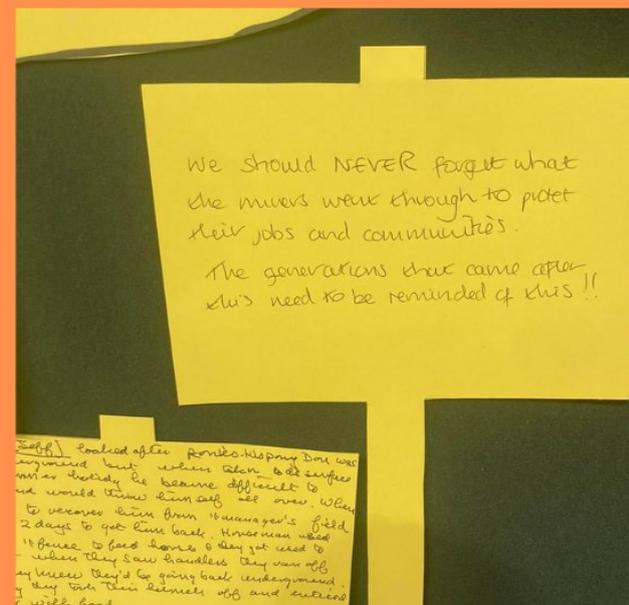
Keep Picketing Up In Heaven



We received some fantastic comments and thoughts from the many who came to see the banners and art work. We displayed a series of exhibition boards about how the strike began and its impact on miners and their families. The banners, photos and artefacts were of great interest to everyone who visited.

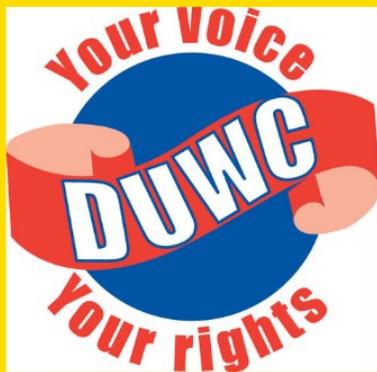


“I remember big boots and loud voices”



We are taking the Miners' Strike 84-85 Exhibition on Tour!

Come and see it at a
village near you!



Brimington Community Centre
Heywood Street, Chesterfield S43
1DB

On from 17th, 18th and 19th April
10am-4pm

Eckington Miners Welfare Club
Pipeyard Lane, Eckington, Sheffield
S21 4FA

On from 15th, 16th, 17th, 18th and
19th July 10-4pm

Bolsover Assembly Rooms
Hill Top, Bolsover, Chesterfield S44
6NG

On from 5th, 6th, 8th 9th 12th, 13th,
15th and 16th August 10-4pm

Get in touch for more
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Campaign Work 2024

HIGH BILLS - LOW INCOMES

COLD HOMES KILL!

unite  Community  membership

The Unite Cost of Living planning group met up in February and agreed to organise another national day of regionally based action to coincide with Budget Day on March 6th.

The focus was on 'High Bills Low Incomes – Cold Homes Kill'. Community Branches in each Unite region coordinated different events to highlight the issue. Some branches organised a funeral march/die-in event. In Chesterfield members took part in a banner drop from the bridge at Queens park. Chesterfield Unite Community saw the budget as a perfect storm of issues for their members.

The cost of living crisis has put pressure on incomes at a time when all bills are rising. This is no small matter, as people are dying of cold and rationing their heating. We will not be silent on this issue.



46th People's Gala & Demonstration

**CHESTERFIELD
TRADES COUNCIL**

Market stalls from
Community
and campaigning
organisations



MONDAY 6TH MAY 2024

- Assemble at Town Hall 10.30am
- March off 11.00am
- Rally in New Square 11.45am

MAY DAY SPEAKERS

- **John Burrows** - Derbyshire NUM 84/85 striking miners
- **Dima Al Shami** - Palestine Solidarity Campaign
- **Libby Nolan** - President UNISON
- **Fran Heathcote** - General Secretary PCS



NEW SQUARE MUS

- **Buffo's Wake** 1.00pm - 2.15pm
- **Po Boys** 2.15pm - 3.30pm

For more information call 07870 387999

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NEW STARTERS AT DERBYSHIRE UNEMPLOYED WORKERS CENTRE



ESTHER AND JO

We welcome our two new starters, Esther Fisher and Jo Johnson. Esther joined in January as an Assistant Co-ordinator alongside Susie Bennett. Esther has worked for Citizens Advice for the last 12 years and has a background in welfare rights. Jo has been volunteering at the centre now since October 2023 and has just started as a paid member of staff, Jo will be working in and around the food banks supporting people with benefit claims.

WE NEED BENEFITS ADVISOR VOUNTEERS

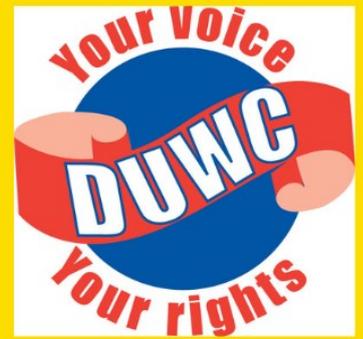
We rely on volunteers giving up their time to support and help others. In return we can offer great training opportunities, the potential to go on to start paid employment, make new skills, and become involved with campaign work alongside a great team of people!



**Get in touch to find
out about our great
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opportunities**

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<p>Alfreton</p> <p>Alfreton House, High Street</p>	<p>Belper</p> <p>Strutt Centre, Derby Road</p>	<p>Bolsover</p> <p>Bolsover Library, Church Street</p>
<p>Brimington</p> <p>Community Centre, High Street</p>	<p>Clay Cross</p> <p>Social Centre, Market Street</p>	<p>Clowne</p> <p>Community Centre, Recreation Close</p>
<p>Cresswell</p> <p>Limestone House, Elmton Road</p>	<p>Eckington,</p> <p>Business Centre, Market Street</p>	<p>Grassmoor</p> <p>Community Centre, New Street</p>
<p>Hasland</p> <p>Working Men's Club</p>	<p>Heanor</p> <p>Buxton Rooms, Town Hall</p>	<p>New Houghton</p> <p>Community Hub, Rotherham Road</p>
<p>North Wingfield</p> <p>Community Centre</p>	<p>Pinxton</p> <p>Chruch Hall, Kirkstead Road</p>	<p>Shirebrook</p> <p>54 Patchwork Row</p>
<p>Somercotes</p> <p>Parish Hall, Nottingham Road</p>	<p>South Normanton</p> <p>Food Bank, St Michael's Church</p>	<p>Staveley</p> <p>Library, Hall Lane</p>



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