WINDRUSH UPDATE OPEN MEETING

TUESDAY 10TH MAR 2020 18:00 - 20:30

@ TUC Congress House, 23-28 Great Russell St, London WCIB 3LS

Hosted by TUC London, East & South East (LESE) Race Relations Committee

#WidenWindrush Campaign is a legal and political campaign to win an amendment to the Windrush Scheme. Currently the descendants and family members of the Windrush Generation - those who came after 1973 & 1988 are excluded from using the Windrush Taskforce (who operate the Windrush Scheme) to regularise their stay. This is because of the racism encoded in British Immigration legislation of 1968, 1971 and 1981.



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GUEST SPEAKERS:

Antonia Bright,

Movement for Justice Campaign Coordinator Leader in Movement for Justice, whose aim is advancing the struggle for equality and justice. She is focused on developing the movement, speaking the truth about racism to win our struggles. In UNISON, as a branch Black Members Officer, she has won national support for 'Widen Windrush' and championed immigrant rights.

Declan Owens,

Solicitor at Thompsons Solicitors

Specialising in labour law and human rights. Declan has represented blacklisted trade unionists in the construction sector; completed a master's degree in European and International Labour Law at the University of Amsterdam; conducted research at the Amsterdam Institute for Advanced Labour Studies; worked in the legal department of the International Trade Union Confederation; and worked for the Workers' Bureau of the International Labour Organisation. Also, a member of the Executive Committee of the Haldane Society of Socialist Lawyers and the European Lawyers for Workers Network.

Declan is a GMB and United Voices of the World Union member.

Grace Brown, Barrister at Garden Court

Called to the Bar in 1995 propelled by the desire to promote the rights of those who are less privileged and/ or disadvantaged. Her areas of practice are public law, with a particular focus on human rights, immigration and refugee law. Grace has 25 years' experience in these areas of the law and is well-respected in her field. She is a contributor to the leading practitioner text of Macdonald's Immigration Law and Practice and General Editor of Butterworths Immigration Law Service. She is appointed to the Equality and Human Rights Commission's preferred Panel of Counsel.

In 2018 Grace became involved in planning for a strategic challenge to the breadth and depth of the Windrush Scheme. She has attended many events directed at promoting and highlighting the rights of those affected by the Windrush Scandal, as a speaker and as a delegate, and was an invited House of Commons speaker on issues concerning those indirectly affected by the Windrush Scandal alongside David Lammy MP and Janet Daby MP.