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THE CAUSE OF LABOUR IS THE MORE OF THE WORLD

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SOCIALIZATION • SOLIDARITY • HUMANITY

WORK FOR ALL

THE HOPE OF LABOUR IS THE TRUTH OF ALL

EIGHT HOURS

LEISURE FOR ALL

EMPLOYERS' LIABILITY

HUNGRY CHILDREN IN THE BONDAGE

A LIFE WORTH LIVING

FOR THE PEOPLE

THE WORKER'S MAY-POLE

[An offering for May-Day 1894 from  
Walton Crane]



**Principle 5 is proud to announce the publication of our fourth pamphlet**

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# STIR<sup>to</sup> ACTION

2022 Festival

Playground for the New Economy

19th/20th May 2023

Stretford Public Hall

Chester Rd, Stretford, Manchester M32 0LG

Our fourth festival promises a packed three days of panels, workshops, open space, virtual reality experiences, sustainable food, and live music.

## Programme

### Stir to Action Festival

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Democracy is in crisis, threatened from without by dictators and totalitarians, and from within by political disillusionment, the decline of collective institutions, and the far right. Never has trust in public institutions been lower. But from both government and opposition, no effective solutions are being offered – neither 'levelling up' or partial devolution promise to fix the current malaise. Yet as we face mounting inequality and the demands of the climate crisis for rapid transition and managing worsening climate impacts, never more have we needed a serviceable, legitimate democracy. Only truly participatory democracy, which involves those affected, and where citizens themselves make the decisions, offers a plausible solution.

But how could this work? Where has it worked and what can we learn?

## **Demanding Democracy: Reinventing Politics for the 21st Century**

Join us for the 10th anniversary of STIR magazine lecture "Demanding Democracy" with leading democratic theorist Carne Ross.

Thu, 18 May 2023

18:15 – 20:15

**Book [HERE](#)**

## **About Stretford Public Hall**

**Stretford Public Hall** is a community-owned, multi-purpose building. Our aim is to create space for good things to happen in Stretford.

The hall is run by Friends of Stretford Public Hall, who have owned the building since a community asset transfer in 2015. We are a charitable Community Benefit Society which is a type of co-operative. We have over 800 members.

We provide accessible community space and deliver our own programme of events and activities, including arts activities, live music nights, community cinema, and health and wellbeing activities.

We are also one of six Community Hubs operating across Trafford. We work closely with Trafford's health and social care teams, to provide support and access to services for local Stretford residents.

Any profit we make from our activities is reinvested into the running and restoration of the hall. [Download our vision & values.](#)

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## Independent Labour Publications

The ILP celebrates its 130<sup>th</sup> anniversary this year. It was founded in 1893 in Bradford as the Independent Labour Party. In 1975 the ILP ceased to be the Independent Labour Party and reconstituted itself as Independent Labour Publications.

Barry Winter, a long time member of the ILP wrote an interesting account of the ILP story. You can find it on the ILP history page An Introduction to the ILP's history:

<https://www.independentlabour.org.uk/history/>

Socialist historian IAN BULLOCK marks the ILP's 130th anniversary by reflecting on its fateful decision to disaffiliate from Labour and his own relationship with the Party, drawing pointers for today's left about the unhappy consequences of separation.

<https://www.independentlabour.org.uk/2023/01/31/ilp130-in-or-out-the-lessons-of-1932/>

The ILP website is always full of well thought out and researched articles, news and information:

<https://www.independentlabour.org.uk/>

And the ILP was one of the first educational organisations to become a member of Principle 5.

## Mike Pye



It is with sadness that we report the death of Mike Pye, a long standing member of Principle 5. Mike was a socialist and co-operative stalwart. He was my first contact in the Co-operative Party when I first joined in the year 2000.

Mike was born in London and was a long-time shareholder of Wortley Hall and served many years on Sheffield City Council being first elected as a Labour Councillor in 1984. He was Lord Mayor in 2004-05 and was Chair of Arts and Museums from 1988-1994 then Chair of Leisure Services and Deputy Chair of the Planning Committee. He also served on various boards of Sheffield Theatres including a period as Chair of the Crucible Theatre and was the Chair of Yorkshire Museums, Archives and Libraries.



As lead spokesperson on anti-apartheid issues, he steered through the Council policies on boycotting South African goods and barring artists who had performed in South Africa from Sheffield City Hall. He helped set up Local Authorities Against Apartheid (LAAA) and chaired its National Steering Committee from 1984 to 1994.

Mike attended our meetings and always sent his apologies if he was unable to attend. He will be missed by all who knew him.

Steve Thompson



The Principle 5 Library

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