

LONDON IS BURNING:

YOUTH DEMAND A FUTURE

We demand:

- For the immediate re-opening of all the closed youth facilities. Investment in youth services – not cuts!
- No to police harassment - stop 'stop and search'!
- For immediate re-housing of all who have lost their homes in the fires
- For jobs and training opportunities for young people
- For the right to a free, decent, high quality education



1 in 5 young people unemployed; 50% black youth,
0.5 million jobs for 2.5 million unemployed,
Police harassment, Stop and Search,
council cuts,
EMA slashed,

It is not surprising that young people are angry.

"This is the ghetto, this is the slums, they don't care about us. I've been stopped outside my house by the police for no reason. There's no jobs ... but still they want to cut benefits. We ain't got no way to survive and it's like no-one don't care about us." A 26 yr old black man in Tottenham told reuters.

"There's nothing here for us." The Guardian was also told by a young person on the 31 July warning of rioting as a result of the closure of 8 out of 13 youth clubs.

The policies of the Tory/Liberal government are making things worse. But we will not defeat the government by rioting. On the contrary, the destruction of homes and services hugely exacerbates the problems our community faces.

Up and down the country the Tory government and local councils are closing

our libraries, cutting jobs, cutting education, cutting benefits for the poor and cutting hospitals. If they are allowed to keep it up we will be worse off than our parent's generation!

But Britain isn't a poor country. While we suffer massive cuts the bankers that caused this crisis have been given £7bn bonuses and the wealth of the richest 1% of the country has gone up 50% in the past 30 years!

We need a mass movement of young people linking with workers who are fighting back.

750,000 people demonstrated on the 26 March against the cuts. They were joined by hundreds of thousands of teachers, lecturers, jobcentre workers and other civil servants who took strike action on the 30 June against attacks on their pensions.

If we link together with workers taking action and get organised to fight for our services and community we can beat this government that is looting our future!

JOIN THE FIGHTBACK - GET INVOLVED

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