

# FIGHT FOR JOBS



Tell the Assembly:

**Bail-out the workers, not the bankers!**

**Nationalise to save jobs!**

On average, 2,500 jobs are being lost every month. In May and June, 2000 jobs were lost in manufacturing alone. Retail and service jobs are being lost as shops and food outlets close due to the recession. This is an emergency situation that demands emergency action.

But instead of taking measures to deal with the crisis, the policies of the Assembly are just making it worse. Their response is to axe more jobs – through privatisation or by direct cuts in public services.

## URGENT ACTION NEEDED

Those workers now facing redundancy and their families are not the only ones who will suffer. If this continues there will be nothing for the next generation other than dead end jobs or maybe work in a call centre. (continued overleaf)

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We need action now to oppose the job slaughter and to fight to defend workers rights. The workers at Visteon showed that it is possible to fight back. Their action in occupying the factory at least forced Ford and Visteon to come up with a significant redundancy package.

Had the trade union leaders spread this struggle by organising solidarity action in Ford and other workplaces, the jobs might have been saved also. If Ford did not re-open the plant pressure could have been put on the government and the Assembly to nationalise it and use the skills and the machinery to produce products that are useful to society.

## LAUNCH CAMPAIGN FOR JOBS

The unions now need to take up where the Visteon workers left off. We need a massive campaign to save jobs in both the private and the public sector. This campaign for jobs must put pressure on the Assembly to put in place the emergency measures needed to give everyone the opportunity to get a decent job.

### It should demand that the Assembly:

- ▶ Nationalises all companies that either announce closure or significant redundancies and run them democratically.
- ▶ Halts all proposed job cuts and reverses privatisation in the public sector. Instead public services should be expanded to create jobs and satisfy need.
- ▶ Guarantees everyone either a job or education / training that will lead to a guaranteed job.
- ▶ Guarantee proper conditions and trade union rights for all workers.

## *Join the Socialist Party*

The Socialist Party is to the fore in campaigning to defend jobs and supporting workers in struggle. If you agree with us and are interested in joining, fill in the form below.

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