Garston and Halewood CLP

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From:

The Executive Committee, Garston and Halewood CLP

We have just read the leaked internal report on antisemitism in the Labour Party. This has caused pain and anger both among ourselves as the CLP Executive and among our wider membership.

The acts of sabotage by party officials exposed in the report are not only an affront to members, but a slap in the face for the millions of people who desperately need a Labour government.

The report reveals that attempts to deal with antisemitism within the Labour Party were deliberately undermined by unelected officials in Labour HQ out of hostility to Jeremy Corbyn's leadership and to thwart a Labour victory in a General Election.

Further, we are shocked at the abusive language used by these unelected officials towards dedicated, loyal and hard-working elected representatives- MPs and others - and towards the mass of the Party membership. And by the manifest and blatant manoeuvring they displayed in attempting to undermine the efforts of Labour Party activists to secure a Labour victory in the 2017 General Election.

We call for:

- 1 The Labour Party leadership to make a statement condemning the behaviour exposed in the report.
- 2 An emergency NEC meeting to discuss the report's contents leading to a transparent investigation into the behaviour of Ian McNicol as General Secretary and his staff prior to the 2017 General Election until the end of their time in office in the Party.
- 3 This process to produce a report which will restore faith among the great mass of the Party membership in the practices of the Party. This to be presented to the NEC and Conference.
- 4 Immediate disciplinary action against those already implicated.
- 5 Amendment to the Party Rulebook to prevent unelected party managers overruling and undermining democratic decisions. Our members and their efforts can never again be treated with such contempt.

We are firmly of the opinion that this is a moment of truth for the Labour Party.

Steve Hayden
Garston and Halewood CLP Secretary
On behalf of the Garston and Halewood CLP Executive