

Hackney *Independent*

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Who Are We?

Hackney Independent is a pro-working class organisation based in Hackney. We are trying to turn the tide of New Labour pro-middle class policies which are damaging the lives of ordinary people in the borough.

What Do We Think?

Politically, the working class is without a voice. The interests of the middle class have been prioritised locally and nationally for far too long. The quality of our lives and future generations is at risk from New Labour. In Hackney, cuts and privatisation of services ignore the real needs of the borough's population.

We seek to oppose this and encourage working-class political independence. However, we can't do this on our own, and we need your help.

What Do We Do?

Hackney Independent is registered with the Electoral Commission. In 2002, we stood 3 candidates in the local elections in Haggerston Ward and finished second to Labour; coming within 100 votes of beating them. We also stood a candidate in the May 2005 Hoxton by-election, achieving a respectable 310 votes.

But standing in elections is only a small part of what we do, and our main emphasis is on giving a voice to the views of the working class majority in the area.

These are some of our other activities:

- * Door-to-door surveys on local estates to gauge opinion on various issues.
- * Advice surgeries in local community centres on repairs and benefit issues.
- * The production and delivery of a free quarterly newsletter – 'Hackney Independent'.
- * Campaigning against privatization and cuts in local services.
- * Support the 'Hackney Independent Kids' Cinema' project that shows films for kids in local community centres.



Hackney Independent organised the "Save Laburnum School" postcard campaign

Although we are mainly active in Shoreditch, an area which currently bears the brunt of gentrification (note the proliferation of yuppie flats and the degeneration of council house stock) we are keen to spread our ideas and activities to other parts of Hackney.

If you would like more information, or would like to get involved with some or all of our activities, you can contact us in the following ways:



Hackney Independent campaigns against poor services on our estates.

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