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GAZA: PAIN, PROTEST, REFLECTION

A number of Staffordshire Friends joined the huge demonstration on May 17 against Israeli action in Gaza - Angela Glendenning (Stoke), Dave Traxson, Amanda Bevan and Richard Ashwell (Wolverhampton), perhaps more.

Here Angela Glendenning gives an account of the experience. On pages 4-5 Dave Traxson adds his own reaction whilst others reflect on the wider context.



May 17. Photo: Dave Traxson

MAY 17

The Palestine Solidarity Campaign reports:

'Yesterday's demonstration was historic. In one of the biggest marches this country has seen since the demonstration against the Iraq war, people from all over the world came together to protest against the ongoing ethnic cleansing of Palestinians from their land.

After 18 months of being failed by our politicians, failed by our media, and

failed by our institutions, the people of conscience in this country still refuse to be silenced.'

The early demonstrations were characterised by their orderliness and good humor. Police were not much in evidence until towards the end of a march. Well drilled volunteers marshal walkers behind the PSC and other large banners from various contingents line up behind them. On this occasion there appeared to be a superfluity of police trying to be

doing the job of the marshals. They accomplished little except to slow the start of the march.

The protest started at Embankment, crossed over Westminster Bridge, past St Thomas Hospital, back across the river to finish in Whitehall where there was a big platform, a screen and an array of stalls.

Half a million marched! No mention in any media.

Angela Glendenning, Stoke Meeting

THE SEARCH FOR PEACE

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EXPLORING THE QUAKER WAY: A STUDY DAY WITH STUART MASTERS

I had a significant birthday in April. What better way to spend it than with Friends at Stafford Meeting House in a very well presented study day on how Quakers do things. In fact I was a little slowed down with a slight bout of food poisoning, but I quite forgot about that as Stuart Masters, a one-time Woodbrooke tutor, led us through the day.

In fact the day's purpose changed once we assembled. Initially planned to introduce newcomers and enquirers about the way Quaker business is done, the day was opened up to all interested Friends, and some of the "newcomers" claimed several decades of Friendship. Stuart just modified his plan to the more experienced group assembled, but it seemed unimportant. There was plenty of food for thought for all of us. There was also plenty of food in the kitchen for our shared lunch as well.

Stuart has been the Programme Coordinator for History and theology at Woodbrooke Quaker Study Centre. His research and teaching focuses on Quaker spirituality and theology, eco-theology, and the relationship between Quakerism and other Christian traditions. So we were ready for a wide ranging insight into what

Quakers believe and how this affects their actions.

I asked James, one of the genuine newcomers, for one thing that stuck in his mind from the day. He mentioned the way that Quakers make decisions as a body. Not one person imposing their decision, nor simple voting, but coming to an acceptable outcome by listening to each other. But for many Quakers, I think the concept of Discernment still remains a bit of a mystery.

We were supplied with some study notes and questions afterwards - on the day I was too interested to spend time writing my own notes. For information, there were suggestions on: Being Attentive - Being Guided - Being Discerning - Being Adventurous - Being Faithful. There was also a book list for those who wanted to follow Stuart's ideas further.

Another Friend noted a few points that began the day's reflection. We need to work on being attentive, to turn inwards and have the experience of being guided. In her notes she wrote: "when you stop doing stuff, things happen", which is a good way of putting this. The difficulty for some of us in Quaker worship is that we find it

difficult to stop being busy about other things.

For those of us who were involved in the study day last year on George Fox, Stuart's presentation was a useful follow up. The Working Group had been thinking about an event on Quaker practices, but this event, although not designed as such, seemed to fit the bill.

And for reflection, here are a couple of questions :

- What is your experience of being still, being attentive and listening deeply?
- What has this meant to you?

Book list and study notes available if you ask me.

Jonathan Heal,
Stone Meeting

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Stuart Masters

AREA MEETING IN LEEK AND CLIMATE ACTION



At May Area Meeting in Leek Sally Perry of Moorlands Climate Action (centre of picture) gave a presentation about her group. She focused on problems caused by plastics, including the fact that only 5% are successfully recycled. Linda Skellam has circulated a detailed report on the talk to Local Meeting clerks. The work on ecobricks by Leek Meeting (below) attempts to address the problem of unrecycled plastics.

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ECOBICKS IN LEEK

At Leek Meeting, in conjunction with Moorlands Climate Action, regular Ecobricks meetings were set up, with the idea that sufficient bricks could be made to build a small structure in the Meeting House garden.

Because of the lockdown there was a two-year delay with this, but in 2022 the meetings began on a once-monthly basis. Being quite a long and laborious process (it takes quite a long time to produce one bottle) it took us nearly three years to collect enough bottles to build a small planter.

It is important that the bottles are covered, and not exposed to sunlight as this will cause them to degrade. The structure is therefore built part with the bricks, and part "cob", which is made from sieved soil, clay, and straw to bind it together. This is then mixed with water, trampled on to form a malleable consistency, and then built up around the bricks to hold them together.

Before the building takes place, a foundation is formed by digging a small ditch that is then filled with small

stones; this then forms a small base.

The building work took place in the latter half of 2024, and after a time to allow the cob to dry thoroughly, it was finally painted this week. This will protect it from the elements. A second coat is needed, after which it can be lined, and finally planted!

Linda Skellam,
Leek Meeting



Leek Meeting's ecobrick planter after its first coat of paint.

INTERNATIONAL CONSCIENTIOUS OBJECTORS' DAY AT THE QUAKER SERVICE MEMORIAL



OUR QUAKER
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KILL.

When Staffordshire Quakers first put up our Quaker Service Memorial at the National Memorial Arboretum I doubt if we then knew how exactly the arboretum would develop. Twelve years on from the inauguration, there are now many more memorials on site and the NMA has many significant national commemorations taking place regularly.

We will never know exactly how many people stop, look and read our information plinth or the engraved texts on the memorial itself, but we are fortunate with the location. It is good that alongside all the many military memorials there is a place for a memorial to the service of conscientious objectors in World War 2.

When raising funds to build the memorial, there was one well known Quaker trust which was reluctant to contribute towards a memorial,

arguing that their funds could be better used to solve contemporary problems of conflict and injustice. From my own perspective, to justify itself our memorial has to be used, has to be seen by people and has to make people think about war and their part in conflict. In the context of the surrounding military memorials, our Quaker memorial declares that there is another choice, the choice not to kill.

For the past two years we have chosen to hold a public meeting for worship on International Conscientious Objectors' Day. We have not had conscription in the UK for many years but conscription is a significant issue in many countries around the world. Many face the compulsion to be part of conscripted armies and often the cause for which they will be fighting can be a corrupt one, with the aim of suppressing minorities or democratic processes. For our

meeting for worship we decided in advance that we wished to hear the voice of a contemporary conscientious objector. Given that during May 2025 the 80th anniversary of Victory in Europe was being commemorated, we also sought to include a contemporary comment on this event from one of our WW2 Conscientious Objectors.

Around 20 people gathered at the memorial for the worship on May 15th. Many were Staffordshire Friends, but we were joined by Peter Ullathorne (Central England Area Quaker Meeting), who brought with him three overseas visitors taking part in a Friends World Committee for Consultation and Britain Yearly Meeting World Relations visit to the UK. It was a fine day, though not bright. A Friend from Crewe & Nantwich joined us, having cycled all the way from Stafford Station. Bird song was promi-

INTERNATIONAL CONSCIENTIOUS OBJECTORS' DAY (CONTINUED)

nent above the silence. As prepared ministry, we shared extracts from the writings of David Hughes (who served in the Friends Relief Service in WW2). In early May 1945 David was at a training camp at Jordans. When news of victory in Europe came through the FRS trainees joined the local villagers and celebrated with a huge bonfire, with the singing of songs and hymns. A letter from his mother made clear that they were welcoming the arrival of peace rather than victory over the Germans. A second piece of prepared ministry shared the story of Itmar Greenberg, an 18 year old Israeli conscientious objector who has been repeatedly jailed and who has served five consecutive sentences at Neve Tzedek Military Prison in Israel. From an ultraorthodox Jewish family, his refusal is based on moral grounds.

One of our visitors, a Costa Rican Quaker, gave ministry about her grandfather, who was in one of eleven families that migrated from the USA to Costa Rica in 1951, in order to evade conscription and maintain their pacifist beliefs. (Costa Rica had abolished its army in 1949 – a decision they have lived with to the present day.)

Other spoken ministry mentioned a WW2 CO imprisoned in Stafford Gaol whose details had been found in Stafford Record Office. Some of those present had parents who had been COs in WW2 and from one of those we heard something of the costs of taking a stand as a pacifist in WW2.

The thirty minute period of worship was deep and meaningful.

ITMAR GREENBERG *Israeli Conscientious Objector, 2025*

“For most Israelis, military service is not only a legal obligation, but almost a necessity – a marker of pride and prestige. But as I learned more about the Israeli army’s role in controlling and suppressing millions of Palestinians, I understood that enlisting ... was an active participation in a system of violence, domination and repression. I realised that if I joined I would become part of the problem. I chose morality. The decision was not the result of a single dramatic moment but rather the culmination of a long process of learning and moral reckoning.”



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We were joined at the NMA by Mercy Miroya from Kenya, Hazel Guindon from Costa Rica and Sikhuphukile ‘Skuppy’ Nare from Zimbabwe. After the worship was completed, they shared their experiences of being a Quaker in their respective countries. We were very grateful for their presence.

The day after they were to visit Swarthmore Hall and some days later attend Britain Yearly Meeting.



John Babb,
Wolverhampton Meeting

WATER, SUNSHINE AND POETRY



In March, for the third time in three years, members of Stafford Meeting spent five days at Glenthorne Quaker Guest House in Grasmere.

Guests included Peter Blocksidge of Truro Meeting, formerly of Stafford Meeting.

Gayle Yeomans was inspired to write the two poems below during a walk by the lake.



SUNSHINE IN GRASMERE

Grey water flows like liquid slate, topped with bright silver.
New leaves show flashes of green on dark branches.
Daffodils glow yellow amongst the hedgerows and fields.
Birds call in the trees and spring moves on apace.

GRASMERE

Green moss on grey drystone walls, rough under finger tips.
Copper beech leaves crackle in the breeze, clinging to branches waiting for new growth.
Clear water laps at my feet while bird song echoes all around.
White snow glimmers on the highest peaks mirroring the houses below.
Church bells chime across the lake urging me onwards

Gayle Yeomans, Stafford Meeting

THE WARMTH OF A SMILE

Jim Sorby feels that being held in the light by Stafford Meeting inspired his recovery after a stroke.

The sound of silence that pervades is a wonderful serendipitous sea of feelings and thoughts
And when I open my eyes to the transparent air, a cold and stiff awakening from the warmth of worship,
Looking at Friends, shaking hands and smiling,
Each smile a reciprocated affirmation that nothing on Earth can make life more worthwhile than the warmth of a smile.

In Friendship,
Jim Sorby,
Stafford Meeting

STRANGE HE WAS

Nigel Peckett says: 'I wrote this poem about a man who used to work in our garden in the 1950s. He was a casualty/survivor of the Great War. Although he had no obvious wound it was obvious that he had a hidden wound. Wars wound in in more ways than one.'

In the early 1950s I was a child living in the chalk downs in a small village near Newbury.

Mr Barker used to come and dig our garden and help paint the house. He rode a large sit up and beg bicycle with a spade and fork attached to his bike. He had a big brush moustache, a big flat cap and tweedy clothes complete with a turnip watch in his waistcoat. We had a large boxer dog who used to tease him by stealing the paint brush if he put it down or he would run off with his waist coat if he was digging. He seemed very odd to me when I was small. However, when I grew older my parents explained why he was like that. I suppose they were sorry for him and had him work in the garden for company because he had few friends in the village.

He survived the trenches in the Great War but he was shell shocked and his younger brother Aubrey (or was it Evelyn, I can't remember) was killed in the war. He lived with his mother in a small cottage with the curtains half drawn. I have a vague memory that it was a typically Victorian inside lots of ornaments and quite dark. He and his mother had never really got over the war. I suppose they were victims of the trenches.

Strange he was
To me, a small boy in the country
Smelling of tobacco and meals of long ago
Riding his big bicycle
Sitting upright, a knight on his charger

Strange he was
Ancient as the chalk downs
A spade tied to his bicycle like a couched lance
His large flat cap a helmet
His tweed clothes a suit of armour.

Strange he was
A noble come to dig our garden
Old he was
Survivor of an ancient war
A warrior burdened by memories

Strange he was
Timid almost silent
Living with his aged mother
In a small cottage with curtains drawn
Who grieved for her dead son killed long ago

Strange he was
Broken by the trenches and horror
Mourning for his brother
Killed in a slough filled hole
His name carved on a stone plinth

Strange he was
Pictured in my mind
A gentle man treating me as an equal
Talking in a quiet voice
A voice unused to speaking.

Strange he was
I remember him well
From my long ago
He lives on in my mind
A kindly man but strange

Nigel Peckett,
Stafford Meeting

BROKEN BY THE
TRENCHES AND
HORROR

DEMOCRACY UNDER THREAT

How do Quakers respond to the rise of far right parties? Here Peter Holland opens an important discussion for our time.

A CHANNEL 4 SURVEY FOUND THAT OVER A HALF OF PEOPLE AGED 13-27 WOULD PREFER AN AUTHORITARIAN DICTATORSHIP.

We are all aware of the rise of right-wing parties around the world. We are seeing politicians exploiting populist ideas, ignoring inconvenient facts, targeting scapegoats and making egregious use of the media. We also know that once in power right-wing parties move towards a dictatorial stance. This is clearly shown at present in the USA. Churchill remarked that democracy is not a good system of government but is the best we've got. It must be strengthened; it is, after all, the foundation of our parliament, our way of life and our civilisation.

There are two principles underlying the basis of democracy, integrity and equality. Integrity builds trust. Disillusion sets in when promises are not fulfilled. Equity would give equal weight to every vote cast, but many voters live in constituencies where "first past the post" gives a guaranteed outcome.

What are the signs in the UK that things are amiss, what threats are evident here? Wealth is misused; it buys power, position and influence. Why else would peers who sat in the last Parliament have given a total of £109m in political dona-

tions, almost £50m before securing their seats? The Conservatives received 62%, (£10m from Anthony Bamford), Labour 21% and the Liberal Democrats 16%. (Elon Musk, who has said "We have to reduce spending to live within our means", owns £330m, and the twelve richest in the USA \$2tr.) Private money in government can only corrupt the political system.

Not carrying out manifesto promises obviously breeds distrust. Before the election, Keir Starmer said words to the effect that "the broadest shoulders must bear the greatest burden". That has not been the case in policies to date. One result; Nigel Farage, with an approval rating of over 40%, has the highest rating of English politicians.

Voting and party membership numbers are both falling. This is likely to be down to cynicism, ("they're all the same"), apathy, an unwillingness to engage with the issues and, in this pressurised age, a lack of time.

Lies and the distortion of truth are apparent. (The Washington Post counted over 35,000 lies told by Trump in his first presidency). The reality of the climate crisis is ignored or denied. (A survey by the CBI showed that the green sector is growing three times faster than the overall UK economy). The true value of immigrants to our economy,

services and culture likewise is not recognised. Worse, enmity is stirred up by politicians, media and so-called influencers.

Autocracy has its appeal. A Channel 4 survey found that over a half of people aged 13-27 would prefer an authoritarian dictatorship.

Auschwitz survivors earlier this year warned that we are entering a new age of hatred. This was said specifically in regard to Jews, but, if true, clearly other minorities will also be targeted.

So, what's to be done. While the influence of wealth can never be denied, donations to political parties can be made illegal, membership fees can be kept low and the funding of political parties with an MP can be met by the state. (If a ceiling were to be set on the maximum size of a donation, there would be nothing to stop the ultra-rich from funding as many others as they wish). Proportional representation would bring its problems, but it would give equal value to every vote. The UK is the only European country, apart from Belarus (!), not to have PR.

Tighter control needs to be made of the internet; I think it is about half of 14 year-olds who wish it did not exist. It is worsening mental health. Education at school and more widely has a major role to play. Finally, inequal-

DEMOCRACY UNDER THREAT (CONTINUED)

ity has a heinous effect on society as a whole, including the rich. Epidemiologists Richard Wilkinson and Kate Pickett clearly show this in their book “The Spirit Lev-

el”, first published in 2009 and updated in 2024. This is a hop, skip and a jump over the seriousness of the threat to democracy. If

you agree with the thesis, what can we do as a Meeting? Peter Holland, Stone Meeting

PROTEST UNDER THREAT: JUST STOP OIL

Angela Glendenning added this footnote to her article about the May 17 protest against ethnic cleansing in Gaza (p1).

On July 24, 2024, 9 supporters of Just Stop Oil were arrested for planning to take

action at Heathrow airport. This Friday, May 16th, they were sentenced to just over half a decade of prison time for an action that never happened. Adam, Hannah, Luke E, Luke W, Sean, Sally, Rosa, Rory, and Will all served time in prison on remand--a combined total of 44

months. Those remaining in prison will walk free tomorrow having served their time. Quakers are prominent amongst Just Stop Oil protesters.

Angela Glendenning, Stoke Meeting

STANDING UP FOR DEMOCRACY

Roger Oldfield asks what we might learn from Germany.

On May 2, whilst in Trier in Germany, we heard the shocking results of the UK local elections. On the same day it was announced in Germany that the Federal Office for the Protection of the Constitution (formed in 1950) had designated the Alternative für Deutschland to be ‘far-right extremist’.

Germany’s past makes it particularly sensitive to the dangers of extremist populism; since the foundation of the Federal Republic in 1949 there has been great emphasis by the democratic parties on keeping a ‘firewall’ between themselves and non-democratic extremist parties; they have refused to co-operate or form coalitions

with radical extremist parties in the Bundestag or in the parliaments of the Bundesländer, though the AfD now has large numbers of elected representatives at local and national level.

The democratic parties now have to work out the implications of the ‘far-right extremist’ designation. Should AfD Bundestag members be prevented from chairing its committees? Should the party be banned altogether?

All this comes after 18 months of demonstrations in support of democracy all over Germany. We joined three in Trier, one of which attracted 10.000 people. There is nothing like this in the UK, nor do we have institutions of the German type to protect our (unwritten) constitution. Are we too complacent?

Despite its huge successes the AfD has, admittedly, so far not won an overall majority anywhere, whereas in the UK, with the first past-the-post system, the far right have now taken control of many local authorities. Their leader, who has taken the platform at AfD events and collaborated with other European far right groups, admires Donald Trump and calls him his friend.

How should Quakers react? When we enter the County Council building in Stafford should our thoughts focus on seeking that of God in everyone? Should we steel ourselves to speak truth to power? Or should we refuse to collaborate and demonstrate outside in support of democracy?

Roger Oldfield, Stafford Meeting

WE ARE
CALLED TO
CHALLENGE
TYRANNY; AND
TO LOVE
EVERYONE, EVEN
THOSE WHO DO
BAD THINGS.

BRITAIN YEARLY
MEETING EPISTLE

GAZA (CONTINUED FROM PAGE 1)

MAY 17

We are near half a million souls,
 We are crossers of two bridges
 Over life's long loopy river -
 With a universality of beliefs,
 With a shared intent for hope,
 Being the only way for us to cope,
 We are near half a million souls,
 We are the generation before the yetborn,
 Who go on to birth the new ideas
 Whilst sharing our common codes.
 We are near half a million souls
 And we share your pain and loss
 For your morgued children
 And murdered families.
 We

Dave Traxson,
 Wolverhampton Meeting

WE CALL OUT
 EVIL, AND
 MARCH FOR
 PEACE.

MANY MORE MARCHES FOR PEACE

I missed the May 17 rally for Palestine, and sadly so, as the one at this time of year reminds us of the 1948 Nakba where many thousands of Palestinians were displaced from their villages, to be murdered or turned into refugees.

I may have walked the streets of London nearly 20 times since the 75- year-old conflict erupted in 2023. Sadly, to many people Octo-

ber 7th was when it all started. It has been a remarkable experience to be part of the protests, which I once described as, "We call out evil, and march for peace." I have made new friends, some briefly and some to see again. We have become a community.

I sent a letter to *The Friend* about a year ago, published on 29 March, and I reviewed it to give ministry at Stone

Meeting in May this year.

At the end, I wrote, "The cruelty we have seen inflicted on the Palestinians in Gaza is beyond evil, and beyond my comprehension too. Britain Yearly Meeting needs to be thoughtful in not putting partners in danger in the Middle East. But, as I have said to Friends before, if Quakers cannot call out the genocide in front of us, we may as well all pack up and go home." My ministry wondered how successful Quakers in Britain have been.

Jon Heal,
 Stone Meeting

Jon notes that Yearly Meeting met after he wrote this article and in Minute 30 agreed that 'We ... use the word 'genocide' after deep discernment.'



GAZA (CONTINUED)

WHO SHOULD REBUILD GAZA?

In Gaza the Israeli military have destroyed half the buildings & damaged most others. There is little housing & infrastructure e.g. schools & hospitals.

If rough justice prevailed every able-bodied Israeli would be conscripted into labour corps.

Among the Israeli population there is widespread antipathy towards Palestinians. Up to a point this is understandable. Before the attacks on 7/10/23 about 1000 Israelis were killed by suicide bombers. But that does not justify the deaths of 47,000, the majority of whom were not involved in terrorism.

But such rough justice would be unproductive. Such a labour force would need strict supervision from a large armed force. That is not the legitimate role of a peace keeping force. Also such a labour force would be housed under primitive conditions. Read Solzhenitsyn "One Day In The Life Of Ivan Denisovich". The hero is one of several hundred prisoners who are supposed to build a power station. They spend most of each day sheltering, hiding & stealing. On a good day the hero lays a few rows of bricks.

Among the Israelis there may be a small minority who disagree with their government's destruction of Gaza. Some of these may volunteer for reconstruction. Probably they would be more productive than a much larger number of conscripts. They would be motivated & would not need armed supervision.

Also under rough justice the casualties among the Gaza population could be used as justification for the forcible removal of Israeli settlers from Palestinian territory. The Israeli settlers are a destabilising aggravating factor.

But to achieve security & reconciliation a better solution than rough justice must be found.

Finally similar consideration apply to using Russians to rebuild the Ukraine.

John Nicholls,
Wolverhampton Meeting

IT WAS ON OUR WATCH

It was on our watch
That we let a country die
Eviscerated of its life force
We didn't even try
And some didn't even cry.
It was on our watch.

It was on our watch
That our Father Time ran out
And screamed 'I told you so' -
We knew - what it was about.
It was on our watch.

It was on our watch
That the genocide occurred
And a land clearance to boot
So the boundary lines are
blurred.
It is on our watch.

It is on our watch
That children are cremated
And torn asunder -
Every day we see body bags
and bits
As we are all devoid of souls
and wits.
It is on our watch.
It is on our watch ...

IT WAS ON
OUR WATCH
THAT THE
GENOCIDE
OCCURRED

Dave Traxson,
Wolverhampton Meeting

FUNDING RESPITE HOLIDAYS FOR ASYLUM-SEEKERS

Wolverhampton Meeting are again enabling respite holidays for sanctuary seekers that we know from Wolverhampton City of Sanctuary in August. We will be assisting about 70 of them to take a five-day break to a residential centre run by the Birch Thompson Memorial Fund at Porthmadog in North Wales. We have been doing this since 2017 and paying the costs of transport (minibuses), accommodation, food, attraction entry costs, parking and pocket money with a good deal of help from trusts, fund-raising and other funding sources. The budget gets bigger each year and this year it is £8250; we're finding ourselves a bit short this



time around. If anyone would like to help us in this project, we would be delighted – the best way of doing that is through the People's Fundraising link below.

We would be grateful for any support – thank you.

Mike Fox,
Wolverhampton Meeting

<https://www.peoplesfundraising.com/donation/wolverhampton-holiday-for-sanctuary-seekers>

A FRIEND OF STAFFORDSHIRE QUAKER

We are sad to report the death of Graham Lee of Hillingdon Greenprint, who had been printing this newsletter for us for over 5 years. His ecologically friendly firm provided a remarkably cheap and very prompt service. His final journey to the cemetery was in a cycle hearse, accompanied by cyclists.



APOLOGY

Helen Simpson, who wrote the article 'The right to acquit according to conscience' in our last issue (February 2025, p 11), would like to apologise for her mistake in saying that she and the other arrestees outside Southwark Crown Court were all white. One of the 10 was actually black.

CLOSING DATE FOR NEXT ISSUE: END OF SEPTEMBER BUT PLEASE START NOW!

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