

AGM LOBBY AND SITE DEMOS PILE ON THE PRESSURE!

Well done to all of you who took part in the lunchtime demos in Kilmarnock and Port Dundas on Wednesday; there was some great coverage in all areas of the media and you did yourselves proud in getting the message across – and of course thanks too to the politicians, families and other supporters who showed their support.

The delegation that travelled down to London to the Diageo AGM were also very well received with a lot of media interest both Scottish and English, and they handed out letters explaining the trade union case to all the shareholders as they went into the meeting. Many of them expressed strong support for our case, with comments ranging from a simply 'Good luck, hope win', to 'I've never been so ashamed to be a Diageo shareholder; the company is making enough money already and it's a disgrace to put all those good folk out of work when we're so profitable'. The five representatives from four sites had a brief meeting with Paul Walsh to put their views to him, and then went into the meeting where they were greeted with loud applause when they put their questions to the meeting.

One thing is clear – we have to keep piling on the pressure if we're going to win for our members on all the affected sites, whether it's for the Kilmarnock and Port Dundas members facing what could be long-term unemployment; the Hurlford workers being forced either to transfer to a third party 25 miles away or accept a package that is greatly inferior to the redundancy package, or for Shieldhall employees being told that if they take redundancy it will be for a lower package than other redundant colleagues.

Make sure you come to the mass meetings on Friday for further updates and to agree what our next steps should be in our fightback for jobs and fair treatment:

- **Kilmarnock - 11.30am, Grand Hall, Kilmarnock**
- **Glasgow - 3.00pm, Thistle Hotel, Cambridge Street, Glasgow**

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