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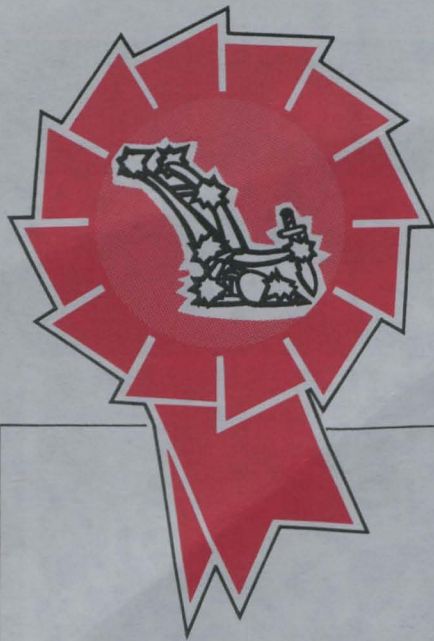
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BYRNE





The programme of Sinn Féin The Workers' Party can be summed up in the slogan *Peace, Work and Class Politics*.

PEACE We totally condemn terrorism. We seek peace and democracy in Northern Ireland.

WORK We are the Party of Full Employment. We say unemployment can be ended and a secure future guaranteed for all our people. State development of our great natural resources and the protection and expansion of state companies are the key elements of our job-creation programme.

CLASS POLITICS PAYE workers pay 90% of all income tax. But it is the rich, the privileged and the tax-dodgers who dominate political life. It's time the *workers'* voice was heard. Sinn Féin The Workers' Party is the political voice of Irish workers.

DUBLIN South Central

Sinn Féin The Workers' Party bases its programme on policies *not* promises. Our Party is committed to winning a better life for the working people of this country. In line with this, we campaigned in the 1979 Local Elections for *A Better Deal for Dublin*. The main issues we identified then still remain to be resolved — jobs, housing, transport.

JOBS As part of our drive for full employment in the Dublin region, we seek clean high-technology industries in the Liberties to provide 3,000 jobs.

HOUSING We need an extensive house-building programme catering for the needs of young and old with State involvement and with particular emphasis on inner-city renewal.

TRANSPORT Dublin's public transport system is a shambles. We are convinced that CIE's proposed Rapid Rail System combined with an efficient bus service will really get our city moving again. We specifically seek bus/rail links at Rialto, Drimnagh, Crumlin and Walkinstown.

As a workers' party, we are particularly concerned with improving the quality of life in our city. In line with this objective we seek:-

★ Improved educational facilities

through the construction of a third-level Regional Technical College catering for 2,000 students.

★ A Community Law Centre (similar to the Coolock Centre) which would make 'justice for all' a reality in Dublin South Central.

★ All-day creche and play-school facilities run jointly by the Eastern Health Board and Dublin Corporation.

★ Community Leisure Centres with leisure and entertainment facilities for all age-groups.

★ Strict enforcement of speed limits and restrictions on heavy commercial traffic in residential areas.

★ Public Service Centres in all main shopping centres incorporating social welfare, taxation, Corporation services and consumer advice.

★ A scheme to eliminate vandalism in the community comprising (1) more Gardai on the beat and (2) a programme of social work designed to rehabilitate young offenders.

★ A state pensions scheme to guarantee

comfort, dignity and security in old age to all citizens.

★ Immediate cash assistance by the State to Our Lady's Hospital for Sick Children, Crumlin, to purchase essential equipment.

★ Effective planning laws to curtail the activities of speculators in order to end the rash of derelict sites and run-down houses which blight our city. We must plan for living communities.

★ Social equality for disabled people. Housing, public buildings, entertainment centres and public transport should be adapted to meet the needs of the disabled.

★ Cheaper food: every 'victory' for the IFA in Brussels means another rise in prices. Major changes in our land structure and agricultural policies are needed. Meantime, tough and effective price control is essential. And the consumer must be protected by legislation which guarantees *real* value for money.

Our Party seeks full equality for women in education, at work, in law and in the family.

Vote BYRNE No 1



ERIC BYRNE

a native of Harolds Cross, is married with one child. His wife, Dr. Ellen Byrne, is Secretary of the Irish Labour History Society.

Eric is employed by the Dublin VEC (Vocational Education Committee). An active trade unionist, he is a former Branch President of UCATT (Union of Construction, Allied Trades and Technicians). He is presently Convenor of the VEC Building Maintenance Group of Unions, representing 300 workers.

Eric joined Sinn Féin The Workers' Party in 1972. A member of the Dublin Regional Executive, he is also Chairman of the Crumlin Branch of the Party.

Eric Byrne was a candidate in the 1977 general election. In 1979, he stood in the local elections when he more than doubled the Party vote and narrowly missed winning a City Council seat.

Eric Byrne knows the problems of Dublin South Central from first-hand experience based on the Party's proven record of work at community level. Through Advice Centres in Crumlin and the Liberties, the Party has helped hundreds of constituents — irrespective of party loyalties — with advice on such matters as housing, housing repairs, social welfare and public amenities.

As a result of an extensive survey conducted by the Party in the Crumlin/Kimmage districts, Eric Byrne launched a campaign for a Community and Leisure Centre in the area. More recently, Eric campaigned for the opening of the ESB shop at Crumlin Shopping Centre. He also organised the Lead-Free Petrol Campaign throughout the constituency.

Eric Byrne's youth, experience, and total commitment to working-class interests make him the ideal choice for the PAYE workers and consumers of Dublin South Central.

Make your first choice, the workers' voice, Eric Byrne.



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