

Dear Inside and Out Campaigners

So much has happened since the last newsletter it is difficult to know where to start! As most of you will be aware the Justice Select Committee's report came out 17th December. The report absolutely vindicated JENGBA's position that joint enterprise was leading to miscarriages of justice and actually went further than we had possibly hoped for,

"The Law Commission to undertake an urgent review of the law of joint enterprise in murder. This review should consider the appropriateness of the threshold of foresight in the establishment of culpability of secondary participants in joint enterprise cases. It should also consider the proposition that in joint enterprise murder cases it should not be possible to charge with murder secondary participants who did not encourage or assist the perpetration of the murder, who should instead be charged with manslaughter or another lesser offence."

We sent in about 70 copies of the reports knowing guys and gals would share them on the wings but if you have not seen it and would like a copy please write to us. "But what about us!" We hear your collective cry, what about the prisoners serving life sentences because they were charged along with the principal because joint enterprise was being abused by CPS and police. Well this has always been our objective and we will never stop fighting for freedom for innocent JENGBA insiders. Mr Grayling responded that he was not going to implement the changes recommended by the JSC and that would be a matter for the next Government. Believe it or not, this was ALL he could do. It would have been unconstitutional for him to say the MoJ was going to consider law reform when come the end of March the Tories are technically not in power any more.

That is why we have to make this an election issue. Hence the template letter accompanying this newsletter. You need to put your HMP address at the top (and for those of you who can, we urge you to write it out by hand personalising it with your own situation) and then your home address at the bottom so the MP can see you were his constituent. If you don't know who your MP is ask us or a supporter on the outside. We need YOU to do this! We need the corridors of power to be discussing letters from prisoners and joint enterprise. We need to know where they stand and then we can hold them accountable. MP's who agree it is a good 'law' we will expose.

Our petition calling for the abolition of JE is going to be handed into Downing Street on 17th March and we expect to have a lot of press there. Please ask your supporters to give up this day and be there. We are then going to start another petition demanding the urgent release of prisoners charged under joint

enterprise who were secondary parties or in many cases not even present!

We *have* come far since those balloons were released but we still have far to go. Andy Tiernan the actor who played Johnjo's Dad in Jimmy McGovern's "Common" came on our recent London march and he told me that fans of that film ask him if it is really true?!

So we keep going until every single citizen of the UK knows what JE is and join us all in our demand that innocent prisoners are released.

Gloria

Doing Time

They say life's a gamble I'm still waiting on my deal
I've got these pains in my heart I'm wondering if it will heal
These freemason judges keep refusing my appeal
Knowing that I'm innocent but not caring how I feel
The jury found me guilty but they know I never did it
It breaks my heart to see my family sitting on a visit
Excruciating pains in my heart so I've bled loads
I've been locked for years so tears yeah I've shed loads
Drink away your sorrows ? I feel to start brewing
Reminiscing bout' the roads and what I'm used to doing
Next I'm thinking bout' the sex and now I'm feeling ruined
From the sex I'm thinking bout' my ex and wonder who she's screwing
I call her facebook cos' her face I read it like a page
Ever since our break up I can't help but feel betrayed
Things went downhill ever since I slipped down in a cage
My great gran passed away so now my hearts full up of rage



Liverpool campaigners were joined by Jimmy McGovern

LIVERPOOL MARCH

Liverpool went down a storm. I arrived late (as usual), but it wasn't a problem, because to my surprise I was greeted by a Radio City presenter, an ITV Granada News film crew and a photographer from the Independent, oh and last but not least, our wonderful patron Jimmy McGovern. Not bad for a low key rally.

It was a proud moment for me to watch mums dig deep for the first time to tell their personal stories to the ever increasing media that gathered outside of Lime Street Station. It turns out it was a great spot with a constant flow of commuters and shoppers and the odd inquisitive person who had caught us being mentioned on local TV at breakfast time. We managed to gain the bulk of our petition signatures before the march began and without even raising our voices to draw attention.

We decided to walk through the main shopping area towards the Crown Court blasting away on our tannoy, handing out flyers all the way. Some of our protesters had red helium balloons drawing that bit of extra attention to them.

When we reached the Crown Court building we were greeted by workers all standing and waving in the windows of this glass fronted office block opposite. It was like they knew we were coming. Their obvious support gave our courageous Liverpool mums the courage to want to storm the Court building. Of course I couldn't let this happen but it did make me laugh out loud to see how passionate and fearless your mums had actually become. As expected a convoy of police vehicles arrived, so in true gentle JENGbA style we bowed our heads and walked away from the court. I think I'm right in saying everyone felt we had done more than enough for one day.

It was at this point at about 2pm that we noticed shoppers stopping to stare intensely in our direction, squinting to catch your names on our banners. People walked over to us with open hands asking 'Who has the petition, I want to sign it'

It turns out the media for once had done JENGbA a great service in informing the locals who we were and where we could be found. And goodness me Liverpool came out and found us. They hugged us and told us what they thought about joint enterprise. This gave your exhausted mums the extra energy needed to get to the pub for a pan of Joey's mum's Scouse and a well deserved pint of beer!

Jan

LEEDS MARCH

The Leeds rally was fantastic & so exciting to be a part of. There wasn't masses of us but being a new city for JENGbA to invade I am really proud with the outcome & turnout. People were in disbelief when we were telling them our stories and how joint enterprise is being abused more and more as time goes on. The fact it is being used and abused not only against us grown ups but OUR normal everyday children. One lady responded with ... THATS SCARY, I CANT BELIEVE IT ... WERE DO I SIGN? Another was a man his words that needs SCRAPING. I couldn't agree more. We had a really good response considering it was JENGbA's first visit to Leeds. We gained over a hundred signatures and they're still coming.

From me to all the JENGbA families who came, thank you and well done. I am really proud and more so for being a part of something so amazing. To all our loved ones in there I say, stay strong, stay positive, change is coming. We will never give up.

Natalie Clayton

fiancée of Joe Tingle



Leeds campaigners

LONDON MARCH

We all met outside St Paul's Cathedral on a freezing Friday Morning, not that the cold was going to stop us from our mission! Awaiting us were 2 police officers who accompanied us throughout our March/ Protest, who agreed that Joint Enterprise was wrong on many levels!

Andy Tierman (Johnjo's Dad from the film Common) was also there to lend his support for our Campaign. From St Paul's we marched to the Old Bailey standing outside with chants such as 'Stop convicting the innocent at the Old Bailey', we certainly got the curtains twitching! Our final stop was the Royal Courts of Justice (shame Justice doesn't actually live there), here again we shouted and gave out literature to educate the general Public. London Live turned up to film us and Charlotte Henry made her brother Alex Henry proud by explaining Joint Enterprise perfectly. All in all a successful day of campaigning for the London JENGBA Team!



Inside Voices Part 1

Dear Gloria and all the women of JENGBA that fight for us.

I cannot find the right words or should I say there isn't a word to describe how thankful we are of your fight, passion and your constant will to never give up the fight against this cold and corrupt law. You are all inspirational to us and when I say us I mean everyone, man or woman serving life for murders that we haven't committed or conspired to commit. If only Gloria could have heard the cheers she had when she appeared on the TV at lunchtime "GO ON GLORIA" only time I hear cheers like that is on Saturday night when match of the day is on. This is just a quick letter to thank you for the hope you give us and inspiration, please don't stop what you're doing. Thank you.

Inside Campaigner HMP Belmarsh

Thank you for the report, very interesting, the first time I have ever read a report like this. I'd like to add that you all know what you are doing everyone of you. You make a proper team to tackle the 'bigwigs' cause as you know they don't move for no-one unless they are exposed and in a very tight corner! Onwards and upwards. Thank you all for the fight.

J. S. Khosa HMP Full Sutton

WHAT WE'RE UP TO!

JENGBA gave a talk to criminology students at Blackburn college on 19th January 2015 and had a fantastic response with offers of help from students.

We are also planning to go to Westminster for the Magna Carta Event on Monday 23rd February. This is in support of NOT INNOCENT ENOUGH. A protest for Barry George, Martin Foran and Victor Neilon. All had their convictions quashed after many years in prison. Martin Foran is the only double miscarriage of justice case in Britain and has been fighting our disgusting system for 40 years. The MOJ refuses to give any of them compensation, their inexcusable reason being they are not innocent enough. After the Select Committee's response just before Christmas, unbelievable attention was focused on JENGBA as a campaign group as well as individual cases that we support and this continued well into the New Year. We not only made the National TV news, but regional TV news in pretty much all regions. We always knew the Justice Select Committee would produce a report on joint enterprise that would benefit the campaign but never in our wildest dreams did we contemplate it being such a hot issue in the news for as long as it was. Again we made it to The Times and The Independent, two papers that choose their stories wisely, and as we are a controversial campaign it was a boost to see how positive the write ups were.

Between myself and Gloria Morrison we must have taken part in over 40 radio interviews, mainly BBC broadcasts that flooded the entire country. The Mirror has covered the campaign twice, just in the last couple of weeks and the last one had an online poll asking readers to vote if they thought there was a need for law change. I'm not one to take an online poll too seriously, so I may be biased on this but I'm going to take this one very seriously. After 24 hours, wait for it, 98% of Daily Mirror readers voted YES to law change.

Don't think we are sitting back either because only last Wednesday, 4th February, Sky News featured one of our cases, followed later with an interview from our Campaign Co Ordinator Gloria Morrison. And then there was Friday and it started all over again with our London, Leeds and Liverpool Rallies.

Up and coming events

Two talks scheduled at Manchester Metropolitan University the first on Thursday 12th February and the second on Friday 13th. *Jan*

Inside Voices Part 2

Hello Gloria and all JENGBA campaigners inside and out.

I just had to thank and congratulate you for the massive strides taken in getting this campaign this far. Talk about acorns and oak trees, having read the recent report I cannot help but feel proud. From letting the red balloons free in Liverpool to actually having the Justice Select Committee publically acknowledge that there is a problem is huge. However knowing how the Government and Parliament operate actually getting them to take the necessary steps to put it right is going to be another thing. The Good news is we have a crack team of campaigners on the case who have if I'm totally honest already achieved more than I ever hoped for. So although we are still enduring this injustice, we have to take time, effort and patience to ensure that we are not discretely forgotten again. Thank you all from the bottom of my heart, you are like our very own caped crusaders!

John Crilly HMP Grendon

Thank you for your update leaflet it was very moving and uplifting to know people actually care and are fighting our corner out there. As I can see JENGBA are being heard and are making waves and would like to know how I think you can help myself and others in the same situation. Well I believe some sort of organisation needs to be set up that have got the time to look into individual cases of people who know they did not murder anyone.

H Campbell HMP Whitemoor

JENGBA are working on this idea Mr Campbell as we agree it is what is needed. More news to follow in next newsletter!

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