

Press Release

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Yeovil Labour Party attacks privatisation of the postal service.

The Yeovil Constituency Labour Party recently criticised the actions of the government and the European Commission in response to their drive towards the privatisation of the postal service.

At a meeting between the Yeovil Labour Party, a number of comrades from the Yeovil T.U.C. and Phil Chadwick representing the C.W.U. the local party took the decision to support the union in resisting the gradual erosion of Royal Mail and the Post Office by opening it up to competition. Yeovil C.L.P. condemns the break up and privatisation of the Royal Mail and supports Royal Mail remaining a publically owned service to be run in the interest of the British people and not in the interests of private profit.

Paul Smith, the Yeovil Labour Party parliamentary candidate commented *“As private companies pick up all of Royal Mail's profitable work - work it previously used to fund areas of the organisation which weren't profitable, the public are forced to either suffer Post Office closures and an increasingly poor service, or subsidise it with public money. This is a case of the government and the E.U. carrying out an agenda which only benefits a few private delivery companies, at everyone else's expense.”*

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