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Brighton & Hove City Council

NOTICE OF MOTION

LABOUR & CO-OPERATIVE GROUP

BLACKLISTING OF CONSTRUCTION WORKERS

"This council notes evidence which has emerged as part of a Parliamentary inquiry into blacklisting in employment, which has brought forward allegations of widespread use of blacklists in relation to major public sector construction projects.

This council further notes that secret files on thousands of workers in the construction sector have resulted in people being denied employment after raising legitimate health and safety concerns, or exercising their human right to belong to a trade union, and were used by more than 40 of the UK's largest construction firms.

This council deplores the practice of 'blacklisting' within the construction industry, and requests the Policy & Resources Committee to ensure that any company known to have been involved in blacklisting practices and not to have indemnified their victims will not be invited to tender contracts by the Council."

Supported by: Cllrs Mitchell, Fitch, Hamilton, Carden, Marsh, Pissaridou, Gilbey, Lepper, Robins and Wilson.