



AMNESTY INTERNATIONAL  
**WARRINGTON GROUP**  
**NEWS SHEET JULY 2018**

ACTION FOR HUMAN RIGHTS

HOPE FOR HUMANITY

**DATES**

**Thurs. 19<sup>th</sup> July 7.30 – 9.30 pm**

**GROUP MEETING**

**Nora Street Community House, Howley. WA1**

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**Saturday 7<sup>th</sup> July**

**Croft Carnival**

**Sat 10<sup>th</sup> August & Sunday 11<sup>th</sup> August**

**Altrincham collections Tesco Extra, Manor Road, Altrincham. WA15 9QT**

**Sat. Aug. 10<sup>th</sup> & Sun. Aug. 11<sup>th</sup> - Collection at TESCO in Altrincham**

We have been offered a collection over 2 days at Tesco Extra Altrincham. We hope to cover the middle of both days between 10 am and 4 pm when the store is busiest. We have had 6 offers from: Gill, Bryan, Jo, Harold, Jane & Evelyn.

**If you are able to help with this collection phone 01925 268871 (you can leave a message) or email [benkin64@talktalk.net](mailto:benkin64@talktalk.net)**

**West Bank Bedouin Village of Khan al-Ahmar**



Even though it is a war crime the demolition of this Bedouin Village has already started.

Israel has ignored completely the international community and gone ahead with the demolition. Israel has its sights on the other Bedouin villages which it says are all illegal even though they have existed for hundreds of years. To read the recent parliamentary debate copy this link into your browser.

<https://hansard.parliament.uk/Commons/2018-07-04/debates/B11012E4-6183-4928-8DE6-A1192AB77665/DemolitionOfKhanAl-Ahmar>

**INDIVIDUAL @ RISK**

**Taner Kiliç –**

**Imprisoned in Turkey on false charges.**



Taner Kiliç has spent one year in prison and there is still no sign that he will be acquitted. Police detained the Chair of Amnesty International Turkey on 6th June 2017. He was arrested on suspicion of having links with a terrorist organization. His arrest came after Amnesty published a very critical report on the escalating crackdown on human rights by the Turkish authorities following a failed coup attempt in July 2016. Tens of thousands of public sector employees have been dismissed and hundreds of journalists and media workers detained. Hundreds of media outlets and NGOs have been shut down. Taner Kiliç has served on the board of Amnesty International Turkey and has been Chair since 2014. During his decades of human rights work in Turkey he has consistently demonstrated an unswerving commitment to human rights.

**'The evidence of Taner's innocence is emphatic. His detention is a gross injustice that exposes Turkey's flawed justice system and the government's cold-blooded pursuit of anyone deemed to oppose them'**  
*Salil Shetty, Secretary General of Amnesty International.*

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## REFUGEES WELCOME



Many thanks to the above for supporting the Warrington Welcomes Refugees photo shoot



## MAGNUM DISPLAY



The Gateway gave us space to display the MAGNUM poster exhibition during Refugee Week. Magnum Photos produced the posters under the title: **Global Refugee Crisis**.

## CROFT CARNIVAL – SAT. 7th JULY Smithy Lane. WA5 7JE



Last year the Croft carnival proved to be a very enjoyable event and our game attracted

children and their parents to test their skills. This is very much a village event with good support from the locals.

This year's carnival is on Saturday 7<sup>th</sup> July starting around 11 am with the carnival floats. We will be collecting signatures on petitions promoting 2 of Amnesty's current campaigns: Tep Vanny for the BRAVE human rights defenders & Ban Israeli Settlement Goods (more details below). Hopefully the hoopla game will keep the children occupied.

## Tep Vanny - Cambodia



Tep Vanny is a symbol of peaceful activism in Cambodia and is currently in jail as a result of her brave determination to defend the rights of others.

She is a housing rights activist and for almost 10 years has been defending her community in central Phnom Penh where thousands of families have been forcibly evicted from their homes.

Along with her fellow activists, many of them women, she has been targeted by the authorities and harassed, beaten, arrested and imprisoned. The government are attempting to silence her voice and show activists like her what can happen if you stand up for your rights and the rights of others.

## SIGN THE ONLINE PETITION

<https://www.amnesty.org.uk/free/tep-vanny>

"Injustice anywhere is a threat to justice everywhere." - Martin Luther King, Jr.