

# Amnesty International Southend Group

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## JUNE 2019 NEWSLETTER



### Amnesteia

**Saturday 3rd August  
2:30pm – 5:00pm  
36 Orchard Avenue  
Hockley SS5 5BE**

**Cake donations welcome!**

**Next Group Meeting  
7:30pm  
Thursday 11th July  
The Balmoral Centre,  
Salisbury Avenue,  
Westcliff-on-Sea  
SS0 7AU**

### LETTERS and E-MAILS

Please

- Write a letter or e-mail or sign the on-line petition to [Stephen Kaufer](#), CEO of TripAdvisor calling on him to remove all holiday listings located within Israel's illegal settlements or run by settlers in the Occupied Palestinian Territories, including East Jerusalem.
- Write to or e-mail the US District Attorney on behalf of [Dr Scott Warren](#) who is facing up to 20 years in prison for providing food and water to migrants in Arizona.

Although at the meeting we wrote letter concerning Mexican asylum seekers at risk of mass detentions, the deadline for sending letters has now passed.

**Amnesty International Southend Group**  
**Notes of meeting on 13<sup>th</sup> June 2019**  
**at The Balmoral Centre Westcliff-on-Sea**

**Present**

Martin, Jose, David, Doug, Andrew, Muriel & Mike

**Apologies:**

Tricia, Erika, & Steve

**Letters and Petitions**

We wrote:

- letters (4 – and sent an e-mail and signed an on-line petition) to the CEO of TripAdvisor about selling holidays on Palestinian lands;
- letters (5) to the Mexican Interior Ministry concerning the mass detention of asylum-seekers; and
- letter(5) on behalf of Dr Scott Warrren who is facing up to 20 years in prison for providing food and water to migrants in Arizona.

**Details of these actions can be found on the front page of the Newsletter and on the Group website.**

**Secretary**

- AI UK Local Groups monthly mailing containing information about Refugee Week, Pride events, the TripAdvisor petition (which we signed), consultation on AI's next Global Strategy and a knitting action on behalf of Nazanin Zaghari-Ratcliffe
- Norwich Group were holding a Garden Party on 23<sup>rd</sup> June
- A thank-you e-mail from AI UK for the action taken against Twitter
- An e-mail from the AI UK Campaigns Co-ordinator offering to visit us to talk about AI's policy on sex workers, which we decided not to take up

**Treasurer**

Our account balance stands £151.

**Fundraising/Publicity**

- Instead of a fundraising meal there will be an Amnestea at 36 Orchard Avenue, Hockley on Saturday 3<sup>rd</sup> August at 2:30pm
- A stall at the Leigh Folk Festival would cost £50 – it was felt that this was too expensive bearing in mind what we'd previously got out of it.

**Next Meeting**

**Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> July 2019** at the Balmoral Centre at 7:30pm.

*Mike Pregnall*

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