Dear Joe

I am writing to express my concerns about this week's Tottenham CLP meeting to which you have been invited to speak along with Kiri Tunks, co-founder of Women's Place UK (WPUK). A well-known supporter of WPUK has also been invited to speak at the Haringey Women's Forum with Catherine West this week, suggesting there is a coordinated attempt to put pressure on our elected representatives to align themselves with WPUK.

Woman's Place UK is a transphobic hate group (https://freedomnews.org.uk/whats-wrong-with-womans-place/). They were established in order to prevent reform to the Gender Recognition Act to make obtaining a Gender Recognition Certificate less cumbersome and intrusive, arguing, falsely, that this somehow impacts on women's rights. WPUK have consistently and deliberately conflated the GRA and the Equality Act, which establishes gender reassignment as a protected characteristic. There was an unofficial report in the Sunday Times recently that this far-right Tory government has now agreed to shelve GRA reform in response to agitation by WPUK and is threatening to amend the Equality Act to cut back on the protections it affords to trans men and women.

Kiri Tunks should not have been invited to speak at our meeting. She is a controversial figure even within her own union because of her anti-trans views and sharing a platform with her will give tacit endorsement to her and WPUK. I am therefore asking you not to share a platform with this speaker this week.

Yours sincerely,