



**Kashama Sawant won a stunning victory for the USA socialist Alternative in Seattle. Ruth Coppinger and Paul Murphy have won seats in the Irish parliament for the Socialist Party and the Anti-Austerity Alliance. TUSC is now aiming to stand for 100 MPs and 1000 local councillors positions**

# **New Workers Organisations Can Win!**



**Come and hear...**

## **Paul Murphy**

**Newly Elected TD in Ireland  
Elected for the  
Anti-Austerity Alliance**



**Mon 10 Nov 5pm  
The Exmouth Arms  
Starcross Street  
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# **TUSC AGAINST CUTS**

- Kshama Sawant won a staggering victory when elected to the Seattle City Council in Nov 2013. Defeating an incumbent Democratic councillor of 16 years Kshama's campaign was a major step in winning a \$15/hr minimum wage across the city of Seattle. Kshama's victory was the first for an openly socialist candidate in a city wide election in the USA since 1916.
- Paul Murphy was offered at 16/1 by bookies while Sinn Fein were 25/1 on. But on 12 Oct Paul won his parliamentary seat for the Irish Anti-Austerity Alliance. Paul took over 27% of first preference votes in the Dublin South-West by-election.
- Also in the Dial is Ruth Coppinger, elected in Dublin West last May as a Socialist Party candidate. Ruth won over 12,000 votes in the Irish transferable voting system.

In Britain, with our voting system that is so focused on the big pro-business parties, Keith Morrell won his Southampton City Council seat back in May (see below).

TUSC does not underestimate the task of building a new political voice for working people and trade unions. But it is a task that cannot be ignored or put off into the future. It has to start some time. Make that time NOW.

RMT is proud to hold a seat on the TUSC National Steering Committee. The LT Regional Council is proud to support TUSC. Over 30 members of our region stood for TUSC in recent local elections.

## Victory for TUSC in Southampton

Southampton 'rebel councillor' and TUSC national steering committee member Keith Morrell has been re-elected to his council seat in Coxford, in a vindication of the bold stand that he, and fellow rebel councillor Don Thomas, made against the Labour council's cuts.

Keith has been decisively re-elected with 1,654 votes, a 43% share of the vote. At the last full council elections in Southampton in 2012, Labour won Coxford ward with 1,647 votes. This time Labour dropped to third with 724 votes (19%), as UKIP came in second with 796 votes. The Tories polled 500 votes, and the Lib Dems 168.

Keith said: "It shows what is possible. The potential exists for a new party that stands up for working people, campaigns for jobs and housing, and tackles the growing poverty that affects so many families in the city".

