### Vote for the Worker's campaign Active – Focused – Incorruptible



Jari Söyrinki,
Mechanic at LKAB,
former union group
leader: "The working
groups of Kiruna
form a strong force.
But often it is unused
or abused by political
parties".



Frida Samuelsson, Elementary school teacher, boxer, women's rights activist.



Nathalie Eliasson, Miner at LKAB, union elect, recent mother.



Patrik Touremaa, Culture worker, organiser of the dance festival "Dansklackenpå Dosan" in Karesuando, recent father.



Johanna Jernelöf, Works with tourism and service, cofounder of Women for a new Kiruna.



Tommy Nyström,
Miner and mechanic at
LKAB, former union
leader, parent: "A vibrant
Kiruna for both young and
old".

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### Worker's campaign stands for action!

- We organised the protests against the closing of emergency surgery-clinic.
- Together with the miners union and the tenant organisation we forced LKAB to build more residentials.
- We stood up for the women against the trafficking behind the strip club
- Together with kindergarten staff we demanded and got night time kindergarden in Kiruna.
- - We defended the 20 miners who had to leave their employments in 2013.

The Workers' campaign strive for a vibrant city with a good working conditions. We are active 365 days a year and not only in and around elections. We are the most active political force in Kiruna.

We trust the voters more than we trust the mining companies, the city council members or the union leaders. The workers' campaign is the popular movements' voice and we always fight for our members. We are opposed to all kinds of top-down management.

We stand for empathy and solidarity. To stand united we need to take care of those who fall out. The workers' movement has to take care of those who are unemployed, as well as of those who are sick and the immigrants.

The mining companies manipulate politicians, journalists and elected representatives. Kiruna needs an independent voice.

The workers' campaign is not for sale!

Here we present 10 demands for a vibrant city with decent working conditions. We run for elections in Kiruna municipality and Norrbotten's county. Remember that you can vote for different parties in the Kiruna municipality, Norrbotten county and the national parliament. A vote for us is never wasted – join us in building the workers' movement of the future!

# Ten demands for a living city with decent working conditions



Tommy Hjertberg,
Technician at LKAB,
group leader in city
council: "The workers' is
a stable political force.
We don't get paid for our
political work and we
cannot be corrupted. We
know where we belong".

# 1. The moving of the city must be completed

The workers' campaign is a guarantee that the moving of the city will be followed through. We closely follow the city council and reveal everything that is not in the interest of the citizens. We will focus on:

- New built apartments of high standard without higher costs and a common housing agency for the whole of Kiruna.
- Rigid control of all building projects. No more sloppy constructions or builds without collective agreement.
- A densely built city with social service within walking distance and public transportation that binds city parts and work places together.
- Special investments on sports, culture and young people. First of all we prioritise the building of a multi-arena.
- That LKAB, in written contracts, agrees to guarantee the standard in new Kiruna and that they are not allowed to buy them selves out with a one time fee.

#### 2. Emergency surgery and

### **Maternity hospital back**

Health care should be available according to people's need, not according to bureaucratic rules or political games. With its heavy industry and remote location, Kiruna needs both Emergency surgery and a Maternity hospital. Health care is being cut down all over the region. The Worker's campaign wants a regional strike against the cut-downs in the county. Give the staff veto rights against changes in their work life.

# 3. More power to Kiruna's associations

Priority access to public venues and facilities. Remove the political party-support (partibidraget) which benefits inactive parties. The associations should be allowed to influence the moving of the city. Leaders who misuse their position should be possible to remove from their posts. We want the associations to take political stands on different issues while remaining independent of the political parties.

# 4. Good working hours and employments

The workers' campaign wants to impose six hours of work per day without decreasing the salary for LO-members employed in the city. Union education for everyone. Stop split working hours and insecure employments. Those who take care of children or old people should not be on their knees.

#### 5. Engage women

Women still take most of the responsibility for children. Develop the public child-care in the city in order to make life easier for single parents and shift-workers. Investigate the possibility of form of near-household services for people with low salary financed by the municipality. Offer courses in self-defence for women under the age of 30 and encourage more women elected representatives in different organisations.

### 6. Good working conditions in the mining industry

Offer apartments for commuting workers and education for young people. Restrict the number of contractors and permanent employments for all. Improve the work environment through engaged and well organised elected safety representatives ("skyddsombud") with increased powers. The same conditions for all workers – men, women, old, young, Swedish or immigrant.

# 7. No to unserious mining companies

No to short sighted and environment-destroying mines. Coordinate the logistics of the mining companies under the supervision of the workers' unions to avoid unnecessary costs. All mining companies should invest in public welfare, building of residences and vocational education. The profits from LKAB must be used to develop new industries and to increase the degree of enrichment of the ore. Employees should have insight into and be allowed to come with suggestions regarding future investments.

## 8. Revocable politicians without economical benefits

Political assignments are responsibilities of trust that should not generate financial benefits. It must be possible to remove politicians who fail their promises and work

for their own profit. No remuneration to elected politicians except that which compensates for loss of ordinary income. No privileges on the housing market or elsewhere.

# 9. A living country-side and minority culture

Reserve the profits of LKAB's mines around Svappavara to develop the countryside around Kiruna. More residences and better social service to Svappavaara, Vittangi and Karesuando. Fair distribution of means between urban and rural areas. Development plans for all smaller towns. Cultural meeting places to create tolerance and understanding.

### 10. Gathering for council

Returning councils for the worker organisations of Kiruna and the associations to create a counter weight to the mining companies and their emissaries. Agreements should be established directly between the mining industry and the united worker organisations of Kiruna. The councils should approve all new prospects and mine establishments in the area No more negotiations about so called mine city parks (gruvstadsparker) which has divided the people of Kiruna and led to social decline.



Annika Blomberg
Language teacher,
political observer:
"The struggle for
women's rights
attracts more and
more men.
Everyone benefits
from the
disintegration of
the patriarchal
chains of command
in companies and
organisations".