

Left to die by

# RACIST POLICE

Justice for  
**CHRISTOPHER ALDER**



**SPECIAL MEETING WITH:**

# Janet Alder

Christopher Alder's sister

# Bob Crow

General Secretary RMT

**Tuesday 6 December, 1700hrs**  
**Exmouth Arms, Euston**

Introduced by: Steve Hedley, LT Regional Organiser



**STOP THE COVER UP**



## A MESSAGE FROM PAUL JACKSON, BRANCH SECRETARY, LU ENGINEERING

Christopher Alder, a former paratrooper, died in police custody in 1998.

Now, eleven years after his death, it has come to light that it was *not* Christopher Alder at all who was buried in the family grave but the body of an elderly woman named Grace Kamara who died of natural causes in 1999.

The mix up was only discovered when members of Grace's family asked to see the body before it was buried.

Christopher Alder's body had remained in the mortuary for the past 11 years.

Janet Alder, Christopher's sister explained: *"I was in shock... They have treated us like dirt... The council didn't have to be rocket scientists to find out if they had the right body. Don't they have a process*

*for embalming the body? How did they get it into the coffin?"*

Janet explains: *"I am looking for legal support. The police say they're starting a criminal investigation. But all this does is stop people talking about what happened."*

London Underground Engineering Branch will not sit by as a police investigation attempts to silence Janet or her family, who have campaigned tirelessly for justice ever since Christopher's death.

Janet has been invited to this Special Meeting, *open to all*, to tell us Christopher Alder's story.

We will extend our solidarity to the Christopher Alder Campaign



Janet Alder

and help raise the funds for legal support.

I hope to see you there too.

*Paul Jackson*

# "UNWITTING RACISM"

### Christopher Alder

*"They dragged him to the police station and left him on the floor.*

*"The video shows Christopher gasping for breath every ten to twelve seconds.*

*"The police are seen walking about getting on with their everyday business.*

*"Christopher dies after ten minutes"*

### Janet Alder

Christopher Alder choked to death on the floor of a police station in Hull in 1998. The CCTV recorded officers chatting and saying that Christopher was faking illness. They also appear to be making monkey noises at him and laughing.

An inquest in 2001 recorded his death as unlawful killing. A year later, a court cleared the five police officers of manslaughter and misconduct.

The Independent Police Complaints Commission (IPCC) in 2006 found the officers guilty of a *"most serious neglect of duty"* and *"unwitting racism"*.

# NO JUSTICE NO PEACE

