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POLICYMAKING AND REVOLUTIONARY POLITICS,  
1924-1991

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## Learn about policymaking...

British Online Archives' latest collection, *Policymaking and Revolutionary Politics, 1924-1991*, is material drawn from one of the leading bodies of the Communist Party of Great Britain (CPGB), the Political Committee (PC).

Owing to the fact that the CPGB could not fund a full-time Executive Committee, the Political Committee was the *de facto* decision-making body of the party. It concerned itself with immediate reactions to events, official policy stances and internal party discipline.

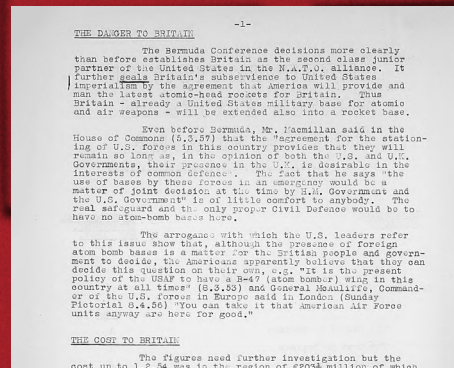


This collection is one of several drawn from the Archive Trust of the Communist Party of Great Britain.

The material in this collection largely consists of Political Committee minutes, hand-written notes, and adjacent pamphlets, reports, and correspondence.

Through this material we gain an insight into important political events in Britain and across the world.

Supplementary material comes from the PC's Sub-Committee's, which bolstered the PC's work with more focused and forensic analysis of ongoing political and social events



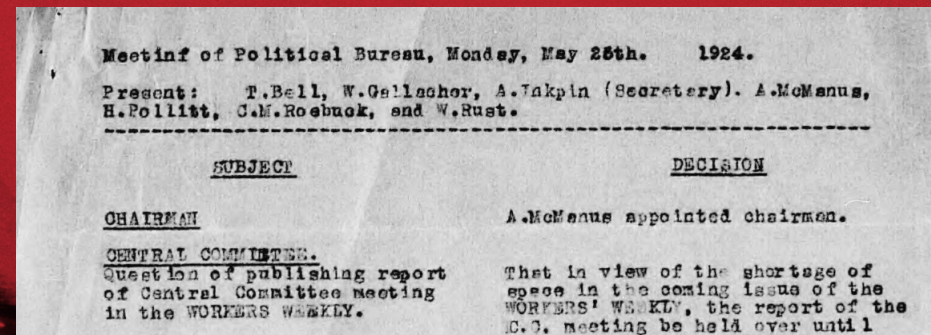
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It was the Political Committee that in practice functioned as the main directive body within the party, usually meeting at least weekly.'

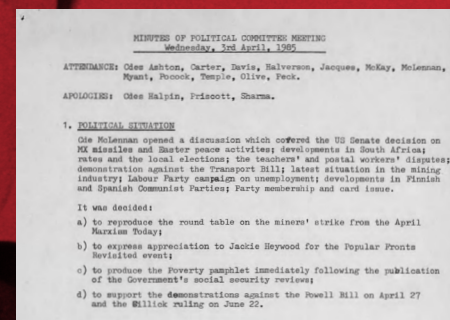
- Professor Kevin Morgan

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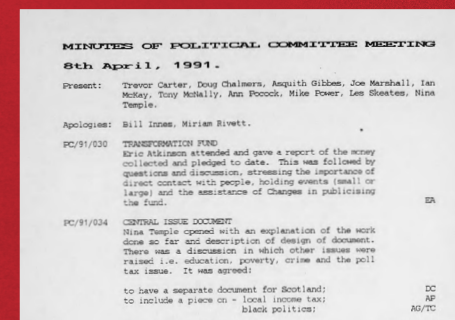
## ...and party leadership in the CPGB



The Political Committee was the successor of the Political Bureau, an institution inspired by the Soviet Union's decision-making body of the same name



Much of the material is drawn from the personal papers of key figures within the PC, including Rueben Falber and Margaret Woddiss.



The material follows the rise and fall of the CPGB, from the 1920s beginnings to the terminal decline of the 1980s and 1990s.

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