



# **Charlie Pottins Archive (POTTINS)**

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# 1983-2013

**Name of Creator:** Pottins, Charlie (1942-2015) socialist and activist

**Extent:** 5 boxes and one oversize item

**Administrative/Biographical History:** Charlie Pottins, born 1942, was a socialist and activist who held a strong grounding in left-wing politics and trade unionism. He attended Lancaster University in 1969 where he was instrumental in establishing a Socialist Society on the university campus. Charlie worked as a journalist on the Daily Worker's Press (and its successor, News Line), was a member of the Socialist Labour League and the Workers' Revolutionary Party, and became an enduring member of the Jewish Socialist Group. Whilst part of this group, he was heavily involved in the group's work against anti-Semitism and other forms of racism.

Charlie Pottins died on 15 September 2015.

**Custodial History:** Deposited with Bishopsgate Institute by David Rosenberg, 29 October 2015.

**Scope and Content:** Papers of socialist and activist Charlie Pottins (1942-2015), including: papers, bulletins, circulars and other material relating to the politics and activities of the Workers' Revolutionary Party, 1986-1992 ; papers, bulletins, circulars and other material relating to the politics and activities of the Workers' International to Rebuild the Fourth International, 1992-1998 ; papers, correspondence, newsletters and other material regarding the Bosnia Solidarity Campaign and Workers' Aid for Bosnia, 1994-1999 ; photographs of meetings and events of the Jewish Socialist Group and other organisations, along with various demonstrations and pickets, 1980s-2000s; two scrapbooks of articles by Pottins for the Workers' Press, 1986-1992.

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<b>POTTINS/1</b>	<b>Workers' Revolutionary Party: papers</b>	<b>1987-1992</b>
	Papers, internal bulletins, circulars, minutes, conference materials, correspondence and cuttings relating to the Workers' Revolutionary Party and local branches (1987-1992) <b>OPEN</b>	
<b>POTTINS/2</b>	<b>Workers' Revolutionary Party: papers</b>	<b>1986-1988</b>
	Papers, internal bulletins, circulars, minutes, conference materials, correspondence and cuttings relating to the Workers' Revolutionary Party and local branches (1986-1988) <b>OPEN</b>	
<b>POTTINS/3</b>	<b>Union</b>	<b>2011-2013</b>
	Papers, reports and ephemera from conferences of TUC conferences and TUC Trades Councils Conferences, along with material relating to UNITE and SERTUC (2011-2013) <b>OPEN</b>	
<b>POTTINS/4</b>	<b>Balkans</b>	<b>1994-1999</b>
	Papers, correspondence, reports and newsletters regarding Bosnia, including material produced by the Bosnia Solidarity Campaign and Workers Aid for Bosnia (1994-1999) <b>OPEN</b>	
<b>POTTINS/5</b>	<b>Political Correspondence</b>	<b>1983-2007</b>
	Political correspondence between Pottins and various organisations, individuals and Members of Parliament regarding international, national and local issues (1983-2007) <b>APPLY TO ARCHIVIST</b>	
<b>POTTINS/6</b>	<b>Workers International to Rebuild the Fourth International: papers</b>	<b>1992-1998</b>
	Papers, internal bulletins, circulars, minutes, conference materials, correspondence and cuttings relating to the Workers International to Rebuild the Fourth International (1986-1988) <b>OPEN</b>	

<b>POTTINS/7</b>	<b>'Bosnia and Croatia': Photograph Album</b>	<b>c1993</b>
	Photograph album of images of Workers' Aid for Bosnia trucks in Bosnia and Croatia and landscape scenes (c1993)	
<b>POTTINS/8</b>	<b>Jewish Socialist Group: Photographs</b>	<b>1980s-2000s</b>
	Photograph album of images of Jewish Socialist Group meetings and events (1980s-2000s) <b>APPLY TO ARCHIVIST</b>	
<b>POTTINS/9</b>	<b>Jewish Socialist Group: Photographs</b>	<b>1980s</b>
	Photograph album of images of Jewish Socialist Group meetings and events, including trip to Geneva (1980s) <b>APPLY TO ARCHIVIST</b>	
<b>POTTINS/10</b>	<b>Jewish Socialist Group and other demonstrations: Photographs</b>	<b>1980s-2000s</b>
	Photograph album of images of Jewish Socialist Group meetings and events, and other demonstrations and events (1980s-2000s) <b>APPLY TO ARCHIVIST</b>	
<b>POTTINS/11</b>	<b>Jewish Socialist Group and other demonstrations: Photographs</b>	<b>1990s-2000s</b>
	Photograph album of images of Jewish Socialist Group meetings and events, and other demonstrations and events, including Justice for the Shrewsbury 24 events and Asbestos Victim Support (1980s-2000s) <b>APPLY TO ARCHIVIST</b>	
<b>POTTINS/12</b>	<b>Jewish Socialist Group and other demonstrations: Photographs</b>	<b>1990s-2000s</b>
	Photograph album of images of Jewish Socialist Group meetings and events, and other demonstrations and events, including Justice for the Shrewsbury 24, Construction Safety Campaign, Justice for Jean Charles de Menezes, Brent Trades Council, GateGourmet dispute, anti-detention centre events, Palestine	

Solidarity(1980s-2000s)  
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**POTTINS/13 Press Cuttings Scrapbooks**

**1986-1992**

Two scrapbooks of cuttings by Pottins on  
political issues from the Workers' Press (1986-  
1992)

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