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High Quality Candidates

Do you remember that, before the election, Keir Starmer told us he only wanted the 'best quality' candidates going into the election. Now, in the dawn of his premiership, we see one of his MP's, Mike Amesbury, on video delivering a sucker punch to a man he then appears to punch and kick when he is on the ground. Apparently they had been arguing about the winter fuel allowance and a local bridge being demolished. This is an MP who had said 'thugs and criminals' involved in the violent Southport riots should expect up to a decade in prison.

Another of his MP's, Jaz Athwall, replaced Sam Tarry who was sacked as a Shadow Minister for sticking up for rail workers on a picket line, has already embarrassed the leadership. Back in September Athwall made headlines with his rental properties. He happens to be the biggest landlord in the House of Commons. Almost half of his properties were found to be mouldy and insect-infested. Again, we see him back in the news through his involvement in a children's home where he is the landlord. The home is run by the Heartwood Care group and Athwal, as Leader of Redbridge Council, allegedly had a personal relationship with the owner of Heartwood. During his leadership millions of pounds were paid to the group for housing vulnerable children. An Ofsted inspection has found serious and widespread failures at the home, with one child going missing, a child reportedly stabbed and furniture in poor condition.



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An excellent candidate, Faiza Shaheen had built up healthy support in Chingford and Woodford Green and narrowly missed out on being elected in 2019. She was barred by Labour and another candidate parachuted in. Ian Duncan Smith was able to retain the seat. It appeared to be a sacrifice worth making to get another of Keir's "quality candidates" selected as candidate.

In his haste to purge the left and eliminate any opposition Keir Starmer may not have been as thorough as he claims in unveiling issues that his "quality candidates" may have.

I'm sure there will be more scandals to come. This is because we now have many newly elected MP's who are obviously careerists who will do anything to be in power. An MP like Luke Akehurst who deleted over 2000 tweets from his account just before being elected. It makes you wonder what other secrets may be uncovered about these Starmer-approved MP's.

Sincerely,

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