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IS NOT  
AN OPTION.

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## THE RIGHT-WINGERS ARE DIVIDING SOCIETY

For some years now, we experience a growing influence of right-wing ideologies and right-wing violence. The AFD pushes actively this development. This party is in parts right-wing extremist, racist, violent and a danger to democracy. The AFD demonises independent media and democratic parties and polarises public debate with lies and provocations. Right-wing extremists mock people living in poverty, stir up hatred towards refugees, fight inclusion in schools, plan the mass deportation of migrants, call for violence against climate activists and other political adversaries, insult queer people, devalue people with disabilities and declare Muslims to be foreigners who supposedly do not belong in this country. Also worrying, however, is how even some middle-class politicians adopt these patterns and polemicise against the long-term unemployed, refugees, migrants and recipients of financial support from the state – in the dangerous hope of winning votes.

## EVERY VOTE FOR THE AFD IS AN ATTACK ON GRÖPELINGEN

With the AFDs' entry into parliament, the right-wing extremists are gaining money, power and resources, which they use to deepen the division of society.

The rise of the far Right is of particular concern to us in Gröpelingen. Right-wing populism and right-wing extremism threaten the multitude of languages, different cultures and lifestyles characterising this quarter. Gröpelingen's children and young people are exposed to the racist and violence-glorifying content of right-wing propaganda on social media. It will be increasingly difficult for our cultural, educational and health institutions as well as sport clubs to combat open racism and social exclusion.

In particular Gröpelingen residents with a history of migration can look back on a long history of open violence against migrants. Acts of terrorism such as those in Hanau, the murders of the NSU and other right-wing terror have also left traumatic fears in many families in Gröpelingen. And now, after the revelations about the deportation plans of some parts within the AFD, many Gröpelingen residents ask themselves: Can we still stay here?

## THE OPEN SOCIETY IS NOT FOR FREE

We want to counter the hatred of the Right and their concepts of a society based on exclusion and oppression.

We call on all people and institutions in Gröpelingen and throughout Bremen not to stay back. We want to bring the fight against the Right into the public sphere and into the public debate.

We don't just want a public demonstration, we want to organise discussions everywhere in Gröpelingen to start talking about the threat to our open society: In schools, companies, clubs, mosques, churches, neighbourhoods. On streets and squares and in digital networks.

We call on all Gröpelingen residents and Bremen residents, all institutions: Be active against right-wing hate, racism and marginalisation!

# GRÖPELINGEN DECLARATION: SOLIDARITY AGAINST THE RIGHT

## Rally + actions

April 27th 2024 at 12:05 pm

Bürgermeister-Koschnick-Platz

In the heart of Gröpelingen we demonstrate, network and discuss against right-wing extremism, right-wing populism and right-wing violence. Everyone is welcome!

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The Gröpelingen Declaration is supported by institutions and personalities from Gröpelingen and the whole of Bremen. All up-to-date information:



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