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SERCO WELCOMES TRIBUNAL DECISION OVER DISMISSAL OF BNP MEMBER

Serco welcomes the decision by Leeds, Employment Tribunal to uphold the lawfulness of the company's decision to dismiss Cllr Arthur Redfearn, once his association with the BNP became known.

John Whitefoot, Head of Employment Relations, Serco Group plc said: "We welcome today's decision. It was important for Serco to bring this action because we reasonably believed that the presence of an active member of the BNP in a sensitive post posed an unacceptable risk to health and safety."

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Notes to editors

Serco is one of the world's largest service companies operating on a global basis in a diverse range of sectors, including defence, aerospace, and science, public transport and traffic management, health and education, justice and local government.

In December 2004, Serco was named as Britain's most admired support services company and 6th most admired company in the country in the Management Today magazine survey and was also named in the survey as the second most admired company overall for its Community and Environmental Responsibility.

Arthur Redfearn was employed by Serco Group as a driver in the West Yorkshire Transport Service (WYTS) which transports children and adults with physical and mental disabilities in the Bradford area.

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