

The far right, protests and symbols of hate

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As [The Guardian notes](#) this morning:

Members of a far-right nationalist party are helping to organise protests outside hotels used to house asylum seekers across the UK, according to a series of Facebook posts and groups created in recent weeks.

Activists for the Homeland party, which was formed as a splinter organisation from Patriotic Alternative, Britain's biggest far-right group, have set up a number of online groups in an attempt to spread the protests that recently engulfed a hotel in Epping.

As they add:

Their involvement adds to concerns raised by some campaigners that the protests are being infiltrated and bolstered by people with far-right connections. [Protests are expected to take place](#) over the weekend in 20 towns and cities across the UK.

And as is always apparent from the pictures of these protests (of which there always appear to be plenty, when protests about Israeli action in Gaza, which always involve much greater numbers of people, get none), the symbol they invariably use is the cross of St George, which is, whether we like it or not, now a fascist adjacent symbol of hate.

Those claiming otherwise are simply engaged in [DARVO](#), which is the process of denial, attack, and reversing the roles of the victim and offender.

Honest speaking on this issue is required.