

We are, as usual, asking all those who feel able to refuse to accept bail, to refuse to pay fines and to refuse a binding-over order. This time, in addition, we are recommending that people refuse to give their name and address. In the past the authorities have been able to impose fines, allow time to pay, and then arrest one by one in the succeeding weeks and months, those who refused to pay. We are calling for at least 1,000 demonstrators to pledge themselves to refuse to give their name and address so that they will have to be dealt with immediately as a body. This will add enormously to the impact of the demonstration.

Contingencies :

In the unlikely event of the police using horses, dogs, fire hoses, etc., demonstrators will go forward as far as they can and then quietly sit down.

If some of the organisers or marshals are arrested before the demonstration, it will continue as planned. There will be shadow marshals to take over from those who may be arrested.

There will be a **First Aid Van** and an **Information Van** on both demonstrations.

Briefing Meeting for Wethersfield and Ruislip :

Saturday, 2nd December, 2.30 p.m.

Unity House (N.U.R.), Euston Road, London, N.W.1

(near Euston Station).



Committee of 100

13 GOODWIN ST., LONDON, N.4 (ARC 1239)

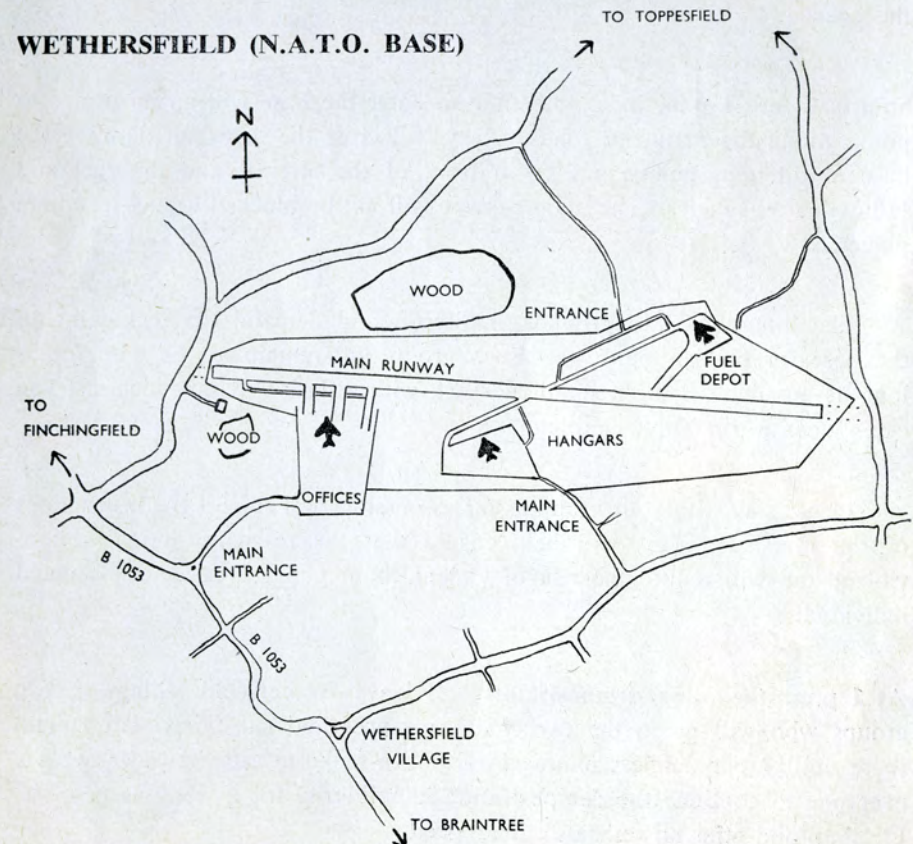
MASS RESISTANCE

WETHERSFIELD - - RUISLIP

9th December 1961

GENERAL BRIEFING — PLEASE READ CAREFULLY

The resistance at Wethersfield and Ruislip will be non-violent. You do not have to be a pacifist to take part, but we must ask you to accept the discipline of non-violence during the demonstrations.



We ask you not to shout slogans and to avoid provocation of any sort. The demonstrations must be carried out in a quiet, orderly way.

Although we want massive support for these demonstrations, we must ask you to come only if you are willing to accept this non-violent discipline.

WETHERSFIELD — BLOCKING AND RECLAIMING

9.30 a.m. Coaches leave Midland Road (by St. Pancras Station).
Collection towards cost of coaches: Suggest 6/- per head.

1 p.m. March from Wethersfield Village.

1.15 p.m. Blocking of Base and Simultaneous Walk-on.

Plan.—Separate coaches will be provided for those intending to block the base and for those intending to enter. There will then be final briefings in the coaches.

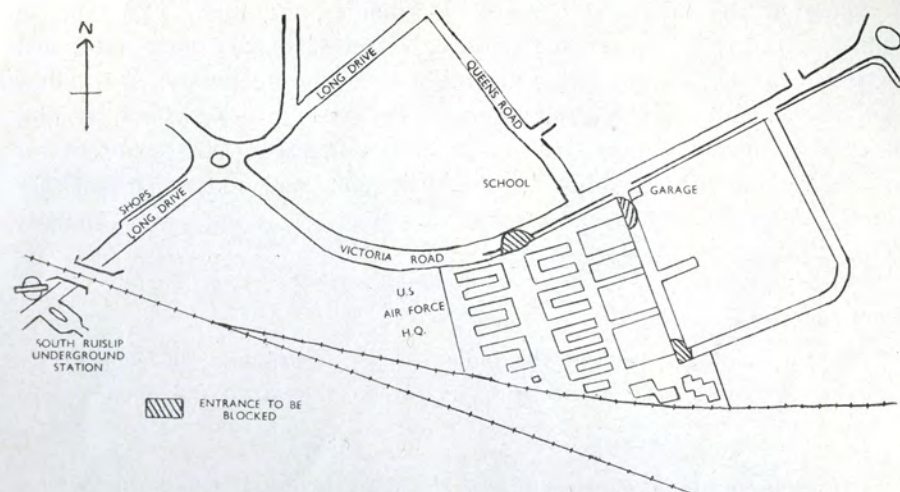
Shortly before 1 p.m. those intending to enter the base will go in groups to points along the perimeter roads. They will cross the fields surrounding the base at different points and sit in front of the aircraft and the fuel and H-bomb storage sites. The main runway will not be blocked to any incoming planes.

The intention is to ground all aircraft and demand the reclaiming of the base for civilian purposes. Each group will remain at the base for as long as possible. Bring a small rucksack with a flask and sandwiches if you can. Wear warm, stout clothing.

Please stay with your group as far as possible and respect the instructions of the marshals. This will help ensure that the resistance remains non-violent and will reduce the risk of violent counter measures against isolated individuals.

At 1 p.m. the other demonstrators will leave Wethersfield Village in two groups who will go to the two main entrances and sit. They will remain there until 7 p.m., unless removed. If police make arrests, however, we ask everyone to continue the demonstration in solidarity for as long as possible. Go limp and offer no resistance if arrested.

Ruislip — U.S. Air Force Headquarters in Britain



2 p.m. Assemble: South Ruislip Underground Station (Central Line).

The sketch above shows the roads to the base. One contingent will turn right at the roundabout in Victoria Road and go straight to the main entrance, marching the full width of the road. A second contingent will go via Long Drive and Queen's Walk into Victoria Road, thus approaching the main entrance from the opposite direction.

Other contingents, organised by our Middlesex group, will arrive from different directions and block the other entrances.

In every case we shall march across the full width of the roads and sit in the entrances to the base from 3 p.m. until 9 p.m. If any arrests are made we ask you to continue the demonstration for as long as possible.

If the police attempt to stop the marches at any point demonstrators will sit down in the roadway until allowed to go on or until removed.

If arrested follow the usual procedure. (See under Wethersfield; also Non-Co-operation, below.)

If the police clear demonstrators from part of the road and try to prevent them from returning, the demonstrators will attempt to return to their positions until physically prevented from so doing.

SOME GENERAL POINTS RELATING TO BOTH DEMONSTRATIONS

Non-co-operation. We are recommending that demonstrators remain limp and refuse to co-operate in any way **until inside the police station.** This will mean that the demonstrations can continue for a longer period.