

Report Action Mesothelioma Day in Manchester

Dove Release

Mesothelioma sufferers and families affected by mesothelioma, and their supporters, gathered in Lincoln Square in Manchester to release doves in memory of all those who have died from mesothelioma. Speakers at the event included:

- **Lorraine Creech** - Lead mesothelioma nurse, Greater Manchester & Cheshire Cancer Network
- **Tony Lloyd MP**
- **Kate Green MP**
- **John Leech MP**
- **Lisa Nandy MP**
- **Paul Goggins MP**



Alan Grieves, who suffers from mesothelioma, and Christine Austin, whose husband Peter died from mesothelioma, release doves in Lincoln Square.



Public Meeting

A public meeting was then held in Manchester Town Hall on asbestos in social housing. Our speakers called for full information for tenants on asbestos in their homes and for government to apply the requirement for duty holders of non-domestic properties to survey for asbestos and to make that survey available to social housing landlords of domestic premises. Our speakers were:

- **Dr. Linda Waldman** – author of the report for UCATT titled *Safe as Houses*
- **John Shiers** –who led a campaign about asbestos in the Hulme flats in Manchester in the 1980s and who has now been diagnosed with mesothelioma as a result of exposure to asbestos when he was a tenant in Hulme.

Press Coverage

Granada Report ITV covered John Shiers' story and our AMD event and can be viewed at <http://www.itv.com/granada/mans-asbestos-warning58771/>

Radio Manchester ran interviews about AMD in Manchester throughout the day and covered the dove release live.

Manchester Evening News covered John's story and AMD in Manchester