

There's a brilliant show that's coming to Aldershot in September. Called *Made in Dagenham* it tells the story of women who changed UK law back in the 1960's. Their story held the giant Ford company to ransom.

These women who worked on making the car seat covers in the Dagenham plant were downgraded to being called 'unskilled'. This riled them, especially as the few women who worked in the Liverpool plant were still considered to be semi-skilled.

***This was all food for thought***- why should women be paid less than men for doing equally demanding roles?

They took their fight to the highest office they could- to the Secretary of State who was Barbara Castle in 1968.

As a woman, surely she would understand their plight? She had the ear of Harold Wilson; both understood that workers were important and had to be supported. Within a couple of years, we then got the Equal Pay Act.

But it was due to gutsy, feisty women who had to work by day and run a family and home 24/7 that made this all happen.

Put into words, based on a book by Richard Bean and music by David Arnold with lyrics by Richard Thomas, this great musical tells the story of one particular family where both parents work for Ford and it's the mother, Rita (played by Dawn Stephens), who takes the women on an inspiring journey, drawing on strength she never knew she had, fighting the giant Ford and the corruption of the union which was supposed to protect them.

This funny, touching and timeless story shows how ***ordinary people can achieve extraordinary things when they stand together***. Gritty and dynamic, full of colour, dance and brilliant singing, this drama leaps off the stage to entrance the audience.

Don't miss this spectacular on stage at the Princes Hall, Aldershot, Tuesday 26th to Saturday 30th September 2017 with performances at 7.30pm and also a matinee on Saturday at 2.30pm.

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