



WHY YOU SHOULD SUPPORT THE PUBLIC SECTOR STRIKES

Around 750,000 public sector workers will walkout on Thursday June 30 as civil servants join striking teachers in opposing ConDem government cuts to pensions, pay and jobs. This strike aims to stop attacks on the terms and conditions of public sector and the services they provide. It will have to be the first of many if the labour movement is defend our public services, including the NHS and councils, and the jobs of the millions of mainly low paid employees who work in them.

The ConDem cabinet includes 22 millionaires. Its first budget cut Corporation Tax for major multi-national corporations by 2% while proposing to sack tax inspectors responsible for chasing the £120bn in unpaid tax from the super rich each year. The rich are richer than before the credit crunch but want the poor to pay for their crisis. They claim that the pensions of public sector workers are unaffordable, even when the average public sector pension is less than £5,000 a year—under £100 a week. For women in local government, the average annual pension is just £1,600 - less than £5 a day!

Cuts to public sector pensions will not restore the libraries, hospitals and other public services that have already been cut and privatised. It will not restore the cuts that have already been made in the private sector pensions either. Working people must unite behind the strikers to oppose this unfair attack on their pensions, oppose privatisation and demand the restoration of all cuts.

Join pickets and other actions to support the strikes on 30 June.

See overleaf for a list of pickets and protests.

PICKET LINES IN LEWISHAM

- Lewisham College (both Deptford and Lewisham Way campuses)
- Catford and Forest Hill Jobcentres
- John Roan School, at both Maze Hill and Westcombe Park, between 7.30am and 8.50am
- Further picket lines will be at Sydenham School, Dartmouth Rd; Forest Hill School, Dacres Rd; Christ the King School, Belmont Grove; Prendergast Ladywell Fields School; Manwood Road; and Prendergast Hilly Fields and St.Matthews Academy, starting at 8am.

ALSO:

- Street party outside Deptford Town Hall on New Cross Road 10am-1pm
- Attend the rally at Cutty Sark in Greenwich at 10am, followed by a boat trip to Westminster
- Join the main demonstration in Lincoln Inn Fields, WC2A 3TL, at 11am
- Join the UK Uncut action near Westminster Central Hall (near the site of the end of the demonstration)

For pickets and protests elsewhere, see <http://www.j30strike.org/>

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Next meeting: 5 July, Amersham Arms on 388 New Cross Road, upstairs room, 7PM.

LACA is a coalition of local campaigners which opposes all cuts, privatization and reductions in welfare benefits. Join us!