



# **STRIKE**

## **TO DEFEND PENSIONS**

### **30 NOVEMBER**

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# **MARCH AND RALLY**

**assemble 12:00 Parker's Piece**

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**FEEDER MARCHES GATHERING:**  
**10am - Addenbrooke's Hospital**  
**10am - Shire Hall Site**



CAMBRIDGE AND DISTRICT TRADES COUNCIL  
HUNTS AND ST. NEOTS TRADES COUNCIL



# WHY WE ARE STRIKING



Government proposals will reduce the amount at which pensions payments rise by switching from the Retail Price Index (RPI) to the Consumer Price Index (CPI). This will reduce the value of our pensions by at least 15%.

The Government want to raise the retirement age for public sector workers at a time of rising youth unemployment.

The Government want to increase pensions contributions against a pay freeze which since 2009 has amounted to a pay cut of 11.6%.

**In short, we are expected to Work Longer, Pay More and Get Less.**

The money that the government are expecting to save through attacks on our pensions will not be going back into the pension pot. There is no pensions crisis. **The money is being used to pay for a deficit that was created by the profligacy of the banks and financial institutions who are continuing to pay themselves massive pensions and millions in bonuses.** The Government are trying to drive a wedge between public and private sector workers. They are peddling the myth that public sector pensions are 'Gold-Plated'. For Local Government workers the average pension is £4,000 per year and for NHS workers it is £7,000 per year, For women it is far less than this. The answer is not to drive down pensions in a race to the bottom. **We need to fight for decent pensions for all.**

**The decision to strike is not one that is taken lightly, but there comes a time when Enough is Enough!!**

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## WHAT WE WILL BE DOING ON NOVEMBER 30TH

Starting from midnight on November 29th there will be a 24 hour strike in the public sector. Those taking action include: **teachers, nurses, teaching assistants, social workers, cleaners, civil servants, local government and NHS workers.**

Picket lines will be taking place throughout Cambridgeshire and there will be TWO feeder marches ending with a rally on Parker's Piece at 12.00pm. The feeder marches will gather at 10.00am at **Addenbrooke's Hospital** and **Cambridgeshire County Council site at Shire Hall.**

The feeder march from Addenbrooke's will go down Hills Road, Station Road, Devonshire Road and Mill Road arriving at Parker's Piece. The feeder march from Shire Hall will go down Castle Hill, Trinity Street, Market Square to Parker's Piece.

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### PICKET LINE PARTY

FREE TO STRIKERS OR BY DONATION.

7.30PM @ THE PORTLAND ARMS, MITCHAM'S CORNER, CAMBRIDGE.  
FOOD AVAILABLE WITH MUSIC FROM: COSMO, MUDDY SUMMERS,  
THE SPAGHETTI FACTION AND ALBA ASENSI