## LEIGH – UNITE FOR A WORKERS' ECONOMY



Our economy isn't working for anyone but the wealthiest people and biggest corporations. Workers like us who kept our nation running throughout the pandemic are struggling to get by while the 1% reap the rewards of our labour.

Instead of tackling wealth inequality, the government is considering increased cuts to pensions and benefits. Our energy costs are at record highs, and price guarantees are set to end in April 2023, despite corporate executives continuing to rake in millions in profits.

Here in Leigh, thousands suffer from food poverty and struggle to pay their bills or afford groceries.

- 25% of Leigh residents (10,300+ people) report going into debt in order to pay for groceries
- 21% (8,600+ people) report experiencing moderate to severe levels of food poverty
- 9% (3,700+ people) can't afford their household bills this year.



It's time to face facts. We're paying the price for corporate greed and there is no Parliamentary hero coming to save us. If we want change, we must do it ourselves – before it's too late. That's why Unite has launched a campaign to put working people over profit and politics. We're focusing our energy into building popular, working class power in order to fundamentally change the system that is rigged against us.

Workers and community members across Leigh's political spectrum are united in this campaign to win five key demands:

- Affordable energy: Corporate greed is causing record high energy costs for the working class. We demand energy giants do more to protect people this winter – and every winter.
- **Higher wages:** Working people deserve better than to be pushed aside for corporate profit. As our living expenses continue to rise, we demand access to wages that allow us to support ourselves and our families.
- Freedom from food poverty: We believe food security is a basic human right, and will fight to ensure every working family regardless of job title, location or background has the means to feed themselves.
- Investment in and protection for members of the NHS: Far too many of our pandemic heroes continue to lack living wages and basic protections on the job. After years of sacrifice, members of the NHS are being offered below-inflation pay rises and a real-term cut in wages. We refuse to let this injustice stand.
- Adequate pensions: After a lifetime of hard work in service to our nation's economy, every single one of us deserves access to a liveable pension that allows us to retire comfortably. It is past time that corporations pay their dues to the workers who keep their businesses running.

We must take action, we must build popular, working-class power. The ground is there for us to build on, and we're just getting started.



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