



## 68 Too Late CLP Motion

### This CLP Notes that:

- The state pension age is currently 66.
- It is due to rise to 67 from 2026 and 68 from 2044. This timetable is set out in law, and to stop further rises we would need to see a change in the law.
- Recently, the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions Mel Stride said that this timetable should be sped up and the rise to 68 should happen sooner.
- A Unite survey of over 10,000 members across four key sectors – construction, health, buses and road haulage found overwhelming evidence that workers do not believe they can continue in their present jobs to the existing state pension age of 66, let alone any later. In health, more than four fifths of workers do not believe they can mentally or physically continue to undertake their current roles beyond the age of 66.

### This CLP believes that:

- 68 is too late to retire, and so is 67, and so is 66 even.
- Workers deserve a long, dignified, healthy retirement. But the current state pension age rules this out as a possibility for many workers, and this is only set to get worse as the state pension age rises.
- Corporate profiteering and gross inequality are two of the biggest problems in the UK currently – not an ageing population.
- The state pension age should not rise beyond 66, and in the long term we should aim to reduce it further.



**This CLP resolves to:**

- Support Unite the Union's [68 Too Late campaign](#) and call for the pension age to not raise beyond the current age of 66;
- Email our Labour MP / Labour Parliamentary Candidate to urge them to make a public statement in support of the 68 Too Late campaign;
- Email out to our membership a link to lobby our MP and arrange a meeting with them requesting they support these demands;
- Call on our MP to make representations to the Government for the pension age to remain at 66.
- Call on our MP to make a formal request to the Work and Pensions Select Committee to demand an inquiry into the pension age.

*More information*

- For more information on the 68 Too Late Campaign [visit the website here](#).
- If you want to get in contact please email: [retired.members@unitetheunion.org](mailto:retired.members@unitetheunion.org)