



TUESDAY 5 NOVEMBER
BONFIRE AGAINST
PRIVATISATION &
AUSTERITY

**6pm outside Hendon Town Hall,
the Burroughs, NW4 4BG**

LET'S BUILD A BONFIRE OF
The sell-off of Barnet Council's services to Capita
The Privatisation of the NHS
The sell-off of Royal Mail
Rising energy bills
The bedroom tax and housing benefit changes

Sparklers, banners, whistles and toffee apples will be provided.
Speakers and banners from local campaigns and trade-unions.

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**Join the fight in Barnet to
reclaim our services**

Across the country, protests and actions against austerity and privatisation are being organised on Guy Fawkes day by the People's Assembly Against Austerity, the TUC and other organisations.

In Barnet, Tory councillors have just privatised 70% of our services in a 10 year contract with Capita. Barnet council 'did not make any attempt to consult' us (according to the High Court) about the outsourcing known as 'One Barnet', nor was this in the Tory manifesto. It makes a mockery of democracy.

- One Barnet means that many council staff are losing their jobs, and services will suffer as a direct result.
- One Barnet means that customer services will initially be run from call centres in Blackburn or Belfast.
- One Barnet means that our services, including benefits, tax collection, planning, cemeteries and environmental health – to name just a few – will be run by Capita.
- One Barnet means that "Crapita" as *Private Eye* calls it, now has a rich seam of profits for shareholders and for the company's boss.

Join us on the 5th November - tell the councillors that their mega-privatisation was not done in our name!

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PUBLIC MEETING:

THURSDAY 14 NOVEMBER, 7pm BARNET AGAINST PRIVATISATION AND AUSTERITY Greek-Cypriot Centre Britannia Road, N12 9RU

Speakers:

Kate Hudson, CND General Secretary

Alex Kenny, NUT National Executive

Dr Jacky Davis, Keep Our NHS Public

Lewisham People Before Profit

Barnet Alliance for Public Services

Save Barnet NHS

and local trade-unions and community organisations.

Austerity and privatisation are not working. Hard working people are being hit, with households having lost an average of £1,500 a year since 2010 and over 5 million workers on zero hour contracts while bankers' earnings are at pre-crisis levels.

The NHS is being destroyed by the Tories. They are breaking it up and opening its £100 billion budget for private companies to take a slice. There is money for replacing Trident and a war in Afghanistan, but essential services such as health and education are being cut to the bone.

In Barnet, the mega-privatisation known as "One Barnet" will cost us a fortune. Private consultants have been paid over £13 million to prepare the contracts, and companies such as Capita will be paid £1 billion to deliver public services over the next 10 years. Our public services will now be run for a private profit. We lose out, while Capita boss Paul Pindar says he is not a "fat cat" when earning £14,500 a week.

Come to the meeting! Hear how austerity is not working, Discuss what can be the alternatives, and how we can fight to reclaim our services.

Food and refreshments will be available from 6pm

Further information

Keep our NHS Public - keepournhspublic.com

The People's Assembly Against Austerity
thepeoplesassembly.org.uk