#voteNHS

Petition on NHS for general election campaign June 2017

The following page (also available online for download at http://www.healthcampaignstogether.com/resources.php) presents a petition that can be shared in any area of England by campaign groups, 38 Degrees, trade unions, Facebook, Twitter, door-to-door canvassers for political parties, street stalls, neighbourhood groups, people emailing their friends with the link, etc.

People are asked to sign their support for the NHS – but should also be urged to press the candidate they vote for to declare their full support for the NHS.

POLITICIANS / CANDIDATES should also each be challenged to state clearly where they stand, allowing voters to #voteNHS, backing only those candidates who are prepared to fight for local services.

We can publish the results on websites, press releases, billboards, flyers. The response of local candidates to this petition will be made available to the public in local constituencies and will be made available on HCT website, and social media including the NHS Roadshow.

This campaign is not aligned with any political party, but will allow campaigners to *publicly shame* candidates who refuse to sign their support for the NHS.

Make sure that by polling day the voters know where their candidates stand on the NHS.

We can then present local petition totals to each winning candidate, and ask them to take the fight for #ourNHS to parliament. Make sure the press capture this. We can also deliver the full petition to the next PM and next Health Secretary, with as big a public presence / demo as possible.

MAKE THE NHS A BIG PART OF THE GENERAL ELECTION CAMPAIGN.

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We the undersigned call on candidates, whatever the result on June 8, to commit themselves to:

- 1. Stand up for local health care, and demand an end to the continued under-funding of NHS budgets and cuts in social care, which are set to go on until 2020.
- 2. Demand no less than the call from NHS Providers in their manifesto to candidates, asking for an extra £5bn per year national and local funding for the next 3 years, plus £10bn capital, to maintain existing standards and services, and oppose current plans to reduce NHS spending per head.
- 3. Campaign with communities in this constituency against any cuts in local access to health services
- 4. Fight for new legislation to reinstate a publicly owned and run NHS, and an end to wasting money on commissioning, management consultants and private sector profits.
- 5. End the cap on NHS pay increases, restore NHS bursaries for nurses and health professionals, and legislate safe staffing levels for health care.

Name	address	signature