

PROTEST

FOR

**PATIENT SAFETY, PAY JUSTICE
& END TO PRIVATISATION**

Local events nationwide - Saturday 3 July

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73 years ago, despite a war-ravaged economy, we created the world's first universal health service: the NHS. Now as we battle the most serious pandemic in 100 years, with millions on waiting lists, the NHS is being thanked, applauded but starved of real resources. The truth is the NHS was struggling BEFORE the Covid pandemic, after years of government cuts and 100,000 vacant posts.

The NHS is threatened on three fronts by policies that put its future at risk:

1. The NHS needs safety for patients and protection for staff

Instead, we've had over 150,000 Covid-19 deaths; failed PPE contracts that funnelled billions to the private sector; over 850 healthcare worker deaths; crumbling hospitals, and delays to elective and emergency care.

2. The NHS needs proper investment

Instead, we've had corruption and privatisation such as the £37bn failed Serco test and trace programme, billions wasted on private hospital beds, with plans to carve up and privatise even more of our services expected in the NHS Bill.

3. The NHS must reward, recruit and retain staff

Instead, the government has recommended an insulting 1% pay rise for NHS staff; broken promises to recruit staff; axed bursaries and created a hostile environment that deters overseas staff and fuels racism. NHS staff deserve better.

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Leicester Protest starts at 1pm on Gallowtree Gate in the City Centre, LE1 5GD (in the space outside WHSmiths, outside the old BHS). Bring placards and wear masks.

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