

NPC

NATIONAL PENSIONERS CONVENTION

CAMPAIGNING FOR OLDER PEOPLE

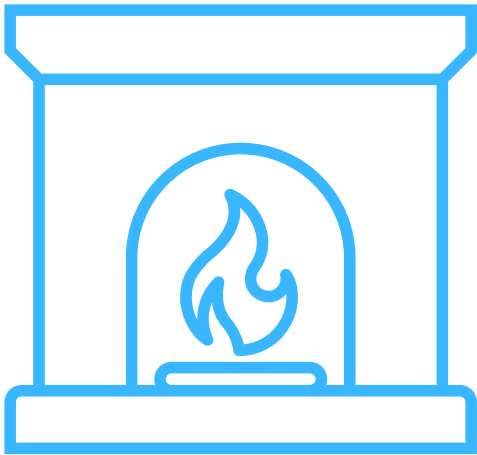
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Restoration of the Winter Fuel Payment:



- Lobby of parliament on 7 October 2024.
- Part of the Department for Work & Pensions evidence gathering on pensioner poverty and the role of the winter fuel payment.



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Rights of older people:

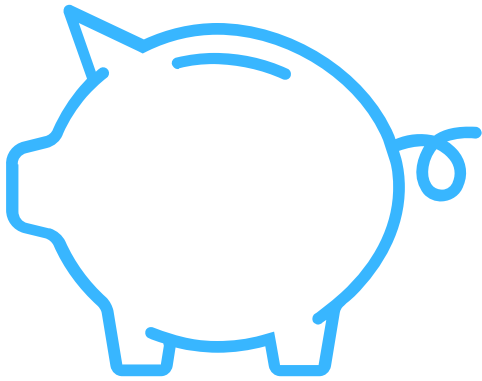


- Part of Age International who are working with the Foreign Office to implement a United Nations Convention on the Rights of Older People.
- The UK government has said they will adopt the convention



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Pensioner Poverty:



Pensioner poverty encompasses many things.

- An inadequate State Pension
- Housing and other related costs
- The fiscal drag from the frozen income tax threshold
- The triple lock increase of 4.1% in 2025
- Every household bill increasing Chancellor's attack on welfare

A single pensioner needs £17,200 a year; and a pensioner couple £27,800 a year.



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Commissioner for Older People:

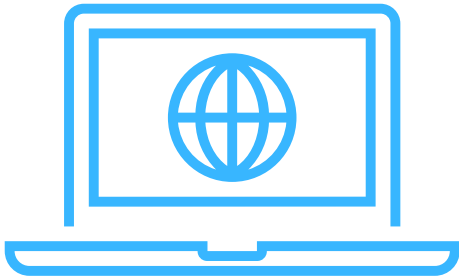


- The Women & Equalities Select Committee report came with a firm recommendation that a Commissioner was a must for all nations



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Digital Inclusion:

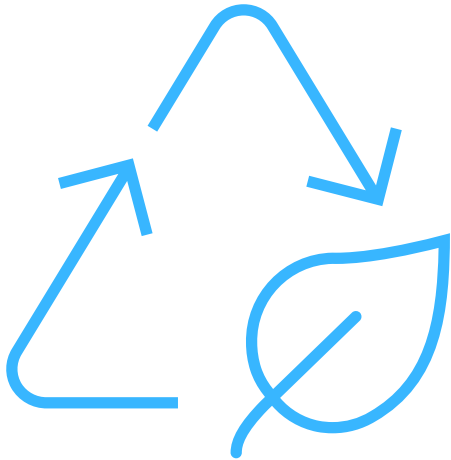


- Those without an understanding of technology are excluded from everyday things.
- We need to make sure those without smart phones are not penalised.



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Climate Change:



- Worked with the Climate Coalition a mass lobby in Westminster on 9th July.
- We want to work with young people on a plan for the planet – it is their future.
- Fuel Poverty Action also engaged with climate change – sustainable, affordable, renewable energy for all.



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NHS/Social Care:



- We are pushing for a review on social care to be brought forward from 2028.
- Publish a paper on 'End of Life Care'.
- We are campaigning for a National Care Service free at the point of use, funded by redistributing wealth and ring fencing.



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Media:



- Campaigning for the reinstatement of the winter fuel has given us a a profile in the media.
- That profile is still ongoing. We have written articles for the ASLEF journal, a feature for Morning Star and the National Assembly of Women. The Mirror Pensioner.



Need for change

- The NPC's financial position is never secure and 2025 is crunch time for us.
- We consulted on becoming a Company Limited by Guarantee (CLG). We were registered in February.
- Stage 2 is under consultation



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