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#### TORIES TAKE FROM DISABLED PEOPLE TO GIVE TO THE RICH

lan Duncan Smith blurted out the truth: George Osborne's intended brutal cuts in disability benefits were to fund tax cuts for the wealthy, knowing that the victims of these cuts are unlikely to vote Tory.

So much for the 'one-nation', 'we're all in it together,' Tory party. Instead, here we see the cold, class cruelty of the representatives of capitalism.

Tory chancellor George Osborne planned to cut £4.4 billion from benefits which help disabled people live independently.

The Con-Dem coalition brought in 'Personal Independence Payments' (PIP) to replace Disability Living Allowance in the hope it would save a lot of money. It cost a huge amount to roll out, and those people who have applied so far have actually been more successful with their claims than originally anticipated.

This resulted in Osborne deciding to cut the new benefit This will impact 640,000 people by 2020. But once again, Osborne claimed it is all about making the benefit 'fairer'.

This is just the latest in a long list of attacks against disabled people. And once again, disabled people fought back!

#### NAME AND SHAME

A number of Tory MPs went public to oppose these cuts after a very successful naming and shaming campaign on social media. Three Tory MPs were asked to resign their positions as patrons of disability charities, including the Tory London mayoral candidate, Zac Goldsmith, who came under pressure for voting for disability benefit cuts.

The disability benefits cuts stirred the pot and IDS popped out. IDS's resignation has revealed everything that is rotten about the Tories.

Of course, his departure has more to do with his breach with David Cameron over the EU referendum than his professed concern over widening class inequalities.

After all, he was the millionaire minister who, since 2010, has consistently voted in parliament to slash welfare while reducing taxes on the super-rich, along with introducing the hated bedroom tax and universal credit.

Nonetheless, just like their retreat over cutting tax credits, sections of the Tories are worried about the groundswell of people's anger over continuing austerity and growing inequality.

IDS's resignation and Cameron's rapid retreat and U-turn over the budget's £4.4 billion cuts to disability benefits yet again shows the deep divisions and weakness of this detested government.

#### STRIKE NOW TO DRIVE THEM ALL OUT!

Here is a massive opportunity for Labour leader Jeremy Corbyn and the Trade Union leaders to mobilise a mass demonstration and workplace action to drive out the Tories.

They should not let Cameron and Co off the hook by timidly demanding that the government eases off its austerity agenda.

They should also stop giving credence to Cameron's campaign to remain in the bosses' European Union.

Instead, they should insist that Labour councils stop implementing cuts, and pledge that a Labour government will reverse all the cuts, nationalise the banks and the tax-dodging, worker-exploiting giant corporations, and renationalise our privatised public services, in order to democratically plan the economy to meet the needs of the overwhelming majority.

# DISABLED PEOPLE HAVE THE RIGHT TO PLAY A FULL PART IN SOCIETY

- Reverse all cuts to disabled people's benefits and services!
- Benefits to reflect the extra costs of overcoming the barriers disabled people face.
- For well-paid jobs and liveable benefits for all, without compulsion.

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