

TENANTS FOR BENEFIT JUSTICE

Changes to benefits are already hitting thousands in our communities, and will get much worse from April 2013. People are being forced into poverty, choosing between eating and heating, or to leave our homes and communities, often for an unfit, overcrowded or higher-rent home.

Prime Minister David Cameron promised to 'Protect front line services' and 'the poorest and most vulnerable' in pre-election television debates. He promised to protect council and housing association housing, and respect tenants' rights.

- We call on our Councils and other landlords to support campaigns exposing and opposing the injustice of these benefit cuts
- We will campaign locally and nationally to defeat the Bedroom Tax and other unjust benefit cuts
- We want to be part of a united national opposition to demand Benefit Justice, and back a summit 11 May bringing together all the organisations affected.
- We will support Councils to campaign against the Government's welfare reform, and to join with other councils to make it unworkable.
- We welcome Dundee and Brighton Councils' commitment not to evict anyone due to the Bedroom Tax, and call on all Councils and other landlords to commit not to evict people in arrears due to these benefit cuts, and instead to protect all vulnerable people

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