

Workfare is class warfare

Workfare is when unemployed people are forced to work for their benefits. It is an attack on the unemployed and also against workers whose paid work is undermined.

Workfare means that those who need welfare are forced into unpaid work for multimillion pound companies. Instead of a living wage, they receive only Job Seekers Allowance - a tiny £53 a week for the under-25s - far below the minimum wage. The companies themselves don't have to pay a penny.

Workfare means that those in paid positions may see their jobs replaced by this unpaid labour. Why would a company pay for people to do your jobs when they can get free labour from the Job Centre?

It's clear that these work programmes are another attack by the rich on the poor. We need to unite to fight back against the rich bosses and government officials who think we'll take this lying down.

Workfare aint fair! It's time to kick back.

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Unfortunately, Nottingham is full of companies that exploit workfare labour. Here are some of the offenders:

Argos - Parliament Street

Burton - Market Square

Barnardos - Market Square

Cancer Research - Friar Lane

Greggs - Parliament Street

Miss Selfridge - Clumber Street

Poundland - Victoria Centre

Primark - Smithy Row

Royal Mail - Queen Street

Superdrug - Clumber Street, Victoria Centre

Tesco - Victoria Centre

Topshop/Topman - Victoria Centre

WHSmith - Victoria Centre

Wilkinsons - Parliament Street

