



On 19th April, a group of social workers and supporters will set off from Birmingham on a seven-day walk to Liverpool, to arrive the day before the British Association of Social Workers hold their 2017 Annual General Meeting and Conference there – **and we want you to get involved.**

Drawing inspiration from the Jarrow marchers of 1936, and more recently the People's March for the NHS in 2014 and a group of psychologists who Walked the Talk in 2015, the aim of the walkers will be to highlight the devastating impact of nine years of austerity. We will be calling for an end to these policies of cuts and welfare reform, which are causing misery and hardship for so many, to be replaced by the investment that's needed for a more socially just and caring society.

**We are inviting others** to join us along the way, people who use and need social care and social work services as well as social workers, other professionals and concerned citizens – **to walk side by side.**

We want to visit food banks and social care provision under threat, and to hear accounts of how austerity has impacted on people's lives. Also we want to celebrate good practice in the face of austerity along the way. So, if you are on our route, and want us to meet you, **let us know.**

Literally a social movement, we will be passing through places with a proud industrial heritage, in the Midlands and North West of England, and we will be calling for a future that this past deserves.

## The route

- Day 1:** Birmingham to Wolverhampton
- Day 2:** Wolverhampton to Stafford
- Day 3:** Stafford to Stoke
- Day 4:** Stoke to Sandbach
- Day 5:** Sandbach to Northwich
- Day 6:** Northwich to Runcorn
- Day 7:** Runcorn to Liverpool



**WE WILL WALK ON,  
WITH HOPE IN OUR HEARTS,  
AND WE'LL NOT BE WALKING ALONE!**



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