

# STOP THE CUTS

## BUDGET DAY PROTEST

Assemble: 1 pm

**Central Bank Plaza,**

**Dame Street**

**WED 4 DECEMBER**

**March to Dáil**

**Tony Gregory TD**

**Joe Higgins TD**

**Seamus Healy TD**

**Finian McGrath TD**

**Cllr. Clare Daly**

*(Dublin Airport workers)*

**Mick O'Reilly**

### RESTORE HOUSEBUYERS' GRANT

# WHERE THE AXE WILL FALL

- Abolition of €3,610 first time buyers grant
- Axing of plans to extend the medical card to 200,000 people living on low incomes
- Big hikes in services charges
- €60 million cut in local authority/social housing while 50,000 people are on waiting lists
- 5,000 community employment schemes jobs cut
- Fare increase of 9% on CIE
- Drugs rebate scheme increased to €75

Charlie Mc Creevy, Bertie Ahern and Mary Harney have exposed themselves to be blatant liars. Throughout the general election they told us that there would be no cut backs so that they would win the election. It's now clear that we have been 'had' by this bunch of liars.

In this years budget estimates they have gone on an onslaught of cuts and this is before the budget has even taken place. The Budget itself will represent a declaration of war on working class people in this country.

This government operates a straightforward policy of 'one law for the rich, another for the rest of us'. They are determined to make workers pay for the economic crisis, yet big business get off scot free. Corporation tax (tax paid on profits by business) is due to be cut to 12.5% next year. This denies the state hundreds of millions in tax revenues, which could be used to maintain public services.

The cuts shown above are only the start. Ireland could be in recession in 2003 and this

government have shown that they will look after the rich and the powerful and make ordinary people pay for the downturn. The Government say they can't afford not to make the above cuts, but the reality is that we can't afford them or their cuts! **Make sure you turn out to the protest on Budget day, bring friends, bring placards and banners - don't let the Government away with these vicious attacks.**

If you think we need an alternative to the failed establishment parties and the society of poverty and exploitation that they defend, read on. The Socialist Party is a party that fights on all issues affecting working class people. We were the only party in the recent general election to rule out supporting Fianna Fail in government. We fight on issues but we are also engaged in a bigger battle. We proudly follow in the tradition of James Connolly and Jim Larkin by fighting to build a new society. A society motivated not by profit and greed as it is now, but one which provides a decent standard of life for all people. Join the struggle for socialism, join the Socialist Party today.

I would like to join the Socialist Party.....

I would like more info.....

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