

MARCH FOR THE ALTERNATIVE: JOBS • GROWTH • JUSTICE



**26 MARCH
2011,
LONDON**

If you only ever go on one demonstration in your life this should be the TUC March for the Alternative on the 26th March in London. Thousands of firefighters and fire fighters (control), along with their families will be marching with other public sector workers, students, pensioners and others whose lives will be detrimentally affected by the huge cuts that the Tory lead Government are inflicting upon us all.

What are we in for over the coming 4 years?

- No pay rise for 3 years
- Inflation running at over 5%
- Pension contributions rising by a minimum of 3%
- Increase in the pensionable age
- Reduction in pension benefit
- Jobs under threat – if not this year then certainly next year
- Proposals for an 84 hour shift pattern for WT firefighters
- Station closures and loss of appliances all in the pipeline

That's just the Fire Service – Across the public sector working people are paying the price for the greed of a few, a few that are continuing to collect massive bonuses and salaries after we, the taxpayer, bailed them out in 2008/09. The financial sector continues to shirk their moral obligations to our tax system by using every tax avoidance scheme going whilst we suffer as a result.

The March for the Alternative will send a huge message to the Tory lead Government that there is another way.

More details will be posted on this website later in the week telling you how YOU can get to London, How YOU can make a difference and how WE will be marching as The Fire Brigades Union.