

PENSIONER ISSUES AND PARTY POLITICAL MANIFESTOS 2017

	CONSERVATIVE	GREEN	LABOUR	LIB DEM	PLAID CYMRU	SNP	UKIP
TRIPLE LOCK	*Keep until 2020 and then replace with a double lock of the higher between inflation (CPI) and wages	No information	*Keep for the next Parliament	*Keep for the next Parliament	*Keep for the next Parliament	*Keep for the next Parliament	*Keep for the next Parliament
WOMEN'S PENSIONS	No information	*Redress pensions injustice (but no detail)	*Offer compensation to those who have had their state pension age increased without notification *Extend Pension Credit to poorer women below state pension age *Explore further help for this group of women born 1951-53	No information	*Introduce a living pension for all	*Women born in the 1950s should receive the pensions they are due	*Allow women to retire at 60 on reduced pensions
FROZEN PENSIONS	No information	No information	*Protect pensions of UK citizens abroad	No information	No information	No information	No information
STATE PENSION AGE	*The level will reflect increases in life expectancy	No information	*No further increases beyond 66	No information	*Oppose further increases	*Oppose increases beyond 66	No information

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PRIVATE PENSIONS			*Set up a new commission to develop a flexible retirement policy		in the SPA		
	*Extend auto-enrolment to the self employed *Greater powers for the Pensions Regulator	No information	*End hidden fees and charges	*Review pension tax relief to make it higher than 20% for those on basic rate tax	No information	*Set up an Independent Savings and Pension Commission	No information
UNIVERSAL BENEFITS	*Means-test the winter fuel allowance so that only those in fuel poverty continue to receive it *Retain the concessionary bus pass	*Free local public transport	*Retain the winter fuel allowance and the concessionary bus pass	*Remove winter fuel allowance from those with an income over £45,000 *Retain concessionary bus pass	No information	*Extend the winter fuel allowance to families with disabled children *Retain the concessionary bus pass	*Retain all universal pensioner benefits
ENERGY	*Upgrade fuel poor homes by 2030		*Introduce an emergency price cap on fuel bills *Insulate 4 million homes to cut energy bills	*Insulate 4 million homes to cut energy bills	No information	*Introduce an energy price cap on standard variable tariffs	*Remove VAT on domestic fuel bills

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NHS	*£8bn extra funding for the NHS over 5 years	* Scrap Sustainability and Transformation Plans	*£30bn extra funding for the NHS over 5 years *Halt and review Sustainability and Transformation Plans *Guarantee access to treatment within 18 weeks *End mixed-sex wards *Free parking in NHS England	*Increase income tax by 1% to fund existing NHS and social care services	No information	*£2bn extra for the NHS in Scotland over 5 years	*£11bn extra funding for the NHS and social care over 5 years *Free parking in NHS England
SOCIAL CARE	*Home care assessment to include individual's property value, so most will now have to pay *Care home residents will have to pay until their property and assets fall to £100,000 and then the costs will	*Investment in social care *Bring care work back into the public sector	*Introduce a Dilnot-style cap on social care costs * Long-term aim to create a National Care Service for England *£8bn immediate funding for social care in the next	*Introduce a Dilnot-style cap on social care costs *Long-term aim of introducing a hypothecated tax for health and social care (possibly based on National Insurance) *Establish a	*Introduce a social care rescue plan *Offer carers more support	*Continue to provide a wide range of personal care services without charge	*Sustainable fund social care as part of the NHS *Abolish the Care Quality Commission *Improve carers' access to support

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TAXATION	be paid by the state *Green Paper will look at wider issues such as quality and standards		Parliament *End 15-minute care visits and provide care workers with paid travelling time *Long-term aim to secure funding through wealth taxes, an employer care contribution or a new social care levy	cross-party convention to look at long-term future of health and social care services *£6bn extra funding for the NHS and social care in the next Parliament			
	*Increase personal tax allowance to £12,500 by 2020	*Wealth tax on the top 1% of earners *Phased abolition of the upper earnings limit on National Insurance	*No increases in income tax for those with incomes below £80,000 a year *Review of council tax	*Increase Income Tax by 1p on all bands *Reverse increase in inheritance tax threshold	No information	*Increase the Additional Rate from 45p to 50p across the UK as a whole from 2018/19 *A freeze on National Insurance and VAT	*Increase personal tax allowance to £13,500

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BREXIT	*Will guarantee rights of EU citizens in the UK providing UK citizens in Europe are equally protected	*Guarantee rights of EU citizens in UK and UK citizens in Europe	*Guarantee rights of EU citizens in UK and UK citizens in Europe	*Guarantee rights of EU citizens in UK and UK citizens in Europe *Retain EU Health Insurance Card	*Guarantee rights of EU citizens in UK and UK citizens in Europe	*Guarantee rights of EU citizens in UK and UK citizens in Europe *Retain EU Health Insurance Card	*EU citizens will be entitled to stay in the UK if they were living in the country before Article 50 was triggered
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