

HOW TO JOIN THE NATIONAL DAY OF SOLIDARITY TO END IMMIGRATION DETENTION

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WHAT IS THE NATIONAL DAY OF SOLIDARITY TO END IMMIGRATION DETENTION?

Every day, thousands of people are routinely detained in immigration detention centers across the UK, in prison-like conditions simply because they don't have a right passport or visa, or for seeking safety. Held time limits and without knowing when they will be released, detained people face isolation, trauma, and severe harm to their mental health. This system is cruel, unnecessary, and must end.

Yet, instead of shutting these centres down, the UK government is expanding the detention estate. The government is also planning to carry out more immigration raids, detention and deportations that rip apart our communities. We must come together to stop detention expansion, end immigration detention and build an alternative world of care and safety.

We must act now. Together, we can dismantle these walls.

On **18 October 2025**, join the National Day of Solidarity to End Immigration Detention. Across the UK, communities will come together to stand in solidarity with people harmed by the immigration system and to demand an end to detention.



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MUST FALL**

**RIGHT
TO REMAIN**



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WHO IS ORGANISING THIS?

Right to Remain, These Walls Must Fall and No To Hassockfield Campaign are co-organising the day. This builds on the annual demonstration to shut down Hassockfield that we co-led last year. You can find out more about the demonstration [here](#).

We are already in touch with some groups who are organising a coach to the annual demonstration outside Hassockfield (Derwentside) Detention Centre. Other groups are planning to host a local solidarity event on the same day.

To ensure we are connected well and build our power together, we are planning to:

- Organise an online rally in September.
- Organise a pre-demonstration safety briefing (online) in early October.
- Organise a post-demonstration debriefing session (online) after the National Day of Solidarity.

Right to Remain and These Walls Must Fall will also continue to host **Solidarity Sessions** on detention and deportation in selected locations into 2025/26. So far, we held sessions in Birmingham, Nottingham, Sheffield and Newcastle.

WHY NOW?

- **Detention is growing:** The UK government is reopening some centres, despite evidence that immigration detention is ineffective, inhumane, and disproportionately harms people who are placed in a vulnerable position, such as women, survivors of trafficking, and those with serious health conditions. We need to voice our opposition to detention expansion loudly and call for an end to this practice.
- **Lived-experience leads the way:** People who have survived detention are leading the fight to end it. By standing alongside them, we amplify their demands and increase pressure for lasting change.
- **We can win:** Community power works. Together, we've already forced the closure of detention centres in the past. Let's keep going until we abolish them all.

HOW CAN WE GET INVOLVED?

There are a number of ways you can get involved. Below are some examples.

JOIN THE DEMONSTRATION AT HASOCKFIELD (DERWENTSIDE)

We will gather outside Hassockfield detention centre in Durham, one of the most visible symbols of the UK's inhumane detention system. Led by people with lived experience of immigration detention, this demonstration will send a powerful message: **No to Hassockfield! No more detention! No more walls!** Right to Remain is planning to organise coaches leaving from Manchester and Liverpool.

ORGANIZE A LOCAL SOLIDARITY EVENT

If you can't make it to Durham, host an event in your community. Hold a vigil, a teach-in, a banner drop, or a creative action to raise awareness and show that people across the UK reject the expansion of detention and build solidarity.



LOBBY LOCAL MPS

We can all speak to our local MPs and demand that they speak out against detention expansion and against the Hostile Environment.

DONATE

To support organizing efforts by local grassroots groups and help cover costs for those directly affected by the Hostile Environment to take part in action.

SPREAD THE WORD

Share our message online using **#TheseWallsMustFall**, **#EndDetention**, **#NoOnesIllegal**, **#SetHerFree**. Amplify the voices of those directly impacted and call on decision-makers to shut down detention centres for good.



If you are interested in getting involved, want publicity support for your events, register your action or just find out more about this, please get in touch asap at contact@righttoremain.org.uk

We will also be sharing regular updates via the following channels.

Right to Remain + These Walls Must Fall + No To Hassockfield Campaign

GET INVOLVED

- **Sign up** to host a local event.
- **Contact your MP** and demand they speak out against detention expansion.
- **Donate** to support organizing efforts and help cover costs for those directly affected.

Together, we can tear down these walls and create a future where no one is locked up for seeking safety.

For resources, event support, and to register your action, visit

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