

Peter Roderick (NHS Bill 2016)

With the support of Health Campaigns Together, Keep Our NHS Public and the People's Assembly we hope there will be a day of action to support the NHS bill.

The bill is an attempt to get rid of the market and 25 years of market legislation. The particularly pernicious development came in the 2012 Act. This is the law.

Individuals in positions of power are transitional people, they will always be changing. But we need to change the law.

We aren't going to change the law under the current parliament. But that doesn't mean we don't put this bill forward. It's been put forward by Caroline Lucas. Jeremy Corbyn and John MacDonnell's names are on this Bill. Its important we hold them and the Labour Party to this Bill.

With the support of everyone here it is possible to keep the lamp alight. If we can get the majority of Labour MPs supporting it on 11 March then there is some hope. It will fall at the next parliament; we will have to bring it back again. It will fall again, we will have to bring it back again.

It's only when we have a change of government that we have a real chance of reversing the market. So this is a long-term campaign. What happens in the Labour Party is going to be a very significant part of this story.