

# Celebrate the Bus

## Help Keep the Bus Pass

April 2018 sees the tenth anniversary of the English National Concessionary Travel Scheme, a long-fought-for benefit that brings financial, health and social benefits to older people and disabled people, helps keep bus services viable and reduces congestion and pollution.

But a bus pass is no use unless there are buses. Last year, England saw 500 bus routes withdrawn or reduced. English councils have cut funding for buses by a third since 2010.

TUC Midlands Pensioners' Network will celebrate this anniversary with a tour of the Midlands by bus from 7<sup>th</sup> to 21<sup>st</sup> April. We go from Hereford to Skegness.

Everywhere we go, we'll campaign to keep the bus pass as a universal non-means-tested benefit and for bus services that meet people's needs.

Our tour reaches Shropshire on Thursday April 11<sup>th</sup>. You are welcome to join us at Wellington or at Shrewsbury or for the whole day.

## Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> April.

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| 10.30am-12noon | Campaigning New Street, Wellington<br>(by William Withering pub)                    |
| 12.08pm        | X4 Bus from Wellington Bus Station<br>to Shrewsbury. Alight The Square (arr. 12.35) |
| 1.00-3.00pm    | Campaigning at The Square, Shrewsbury   |

Everybody welcome but ya gotta



come on the bus!