

#ProvidersUnite

Stronger Together

Please note last minute changes will be conveyed via the WhatsApp Announcement Community group.

Welcome to the Providers Unite Briefing pack for our Day of Action – 25.2.25. We hope you will be able to find the details within this pack useful to plan and enjoy the day.

Location: London, Westminster Please find overview and transportation map here:

<https://www.parliament.uk/globalassets/documents/facilities/maps/colmap.pdf>

Nearest Transport Links

Closest Tube stations: St. James's Park London SW1H 0BB, Westminster, Victoria or Pimlico

Railway Station/Coach Station; Victoria, Victoria St, London SW1E 5ND

A few practical suggestions before you leave home, please do make sure you bring:

1. Water, Snacks, Food and any Medication you may need.
2. Strong shoes we will be on our feet for up to 5 – 6 hours!
3. Layers and waterproof clothes, we know how unpredictable the weather is!
4. Minimal valuables – please keep phones and money safe.
5. A picnic blanket or portable chairs.
6. Your banners, flags, posters, instruments and voices!
7. A copy of the lyrics to the Who Care? Song.

[Download the Who Cares? Singalong Lyrics](#)

8. A pen to fill in your Green Card (more info below)

[Green Card your MP on 25th Feb](#)

[A Guide to Green Carding](#)

Please DO NOT BRING

1. **Amplification Equipment - Microphones, PA system, or loudhailers.**
2. **Umbrellas**, as we would not want to cause any injury, and there will be potentially several thousand of us standing in close proximity.
3. **Any materials with swear words or images of any Member of Parliament**, such as the Prime Minister or Chancellor.

Where we will be meeting:

1. Initial Meeting Point: **For ALL Rally Participants**

- **Time from: 10:30 AM**
- **Storey Gate Café - Entrance of St. James's Park-** [Storey's Gate Cafe Information](#)

Please note Banners or placards may not be displayed while in the park.

2. Initial Meeting Point: **Supported People and their Carers**
All are welcome to come into the Harvey Goodwin Suite in Church House.

- **Time from: 10:00 to 15:00 and use this throughout the day.**
- **Address: Church House, 27 Great Smith Street, London SW1P 3AZ**
behind Westminster Abbey - [Church House Information](#)

It has convenient wheelchair access from street level and is closer to the lifts inside the building.

3. Initial Meeting Point: **For Stewards & First Aiders**
We also invite you to come from 10am to the Harvey Goodwin Suite in Church House (same as above address)

There is no parking available at Church House. Below we have detailed a list of disabled parking spaces nearby; some limit the amount of time you can park.

- 1 Little Smith Street (outside Church House garage)
- 2 Great Peter Street (in front of number 14)
- 3 Great Smith Street (two parking bays on the corner of Gayfere Street)
- 4 Smith Square (in front of Local Government House)
- 5 Smith Square (in front of number 7)

Q-PARK PARKING - The Abingdon Car Park has four disabled car parking bays. It is located at the junction of Abingdon Street and Great College Street and is open 24 hours a day.

Directions to Church House, Entrance provided below:

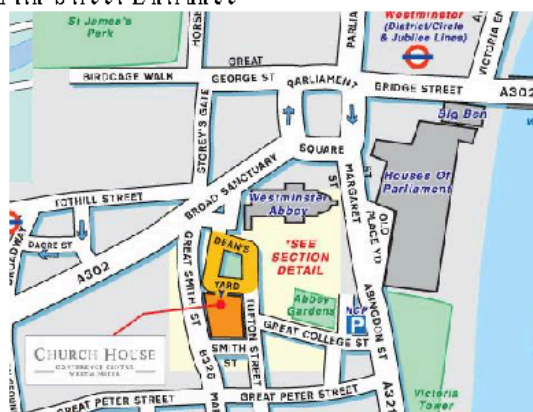


Directions to the Great Smith Street Entrance

Underground

Nearest underground stations: **St James's Park** and **Westminster** (District, Circle and Jubilee lines)

From St James's Park - Leave the station via the Broadway Exit (straight ahead) and head right down Broadway.
When you reach the end of the road turn left on to Victoria Street towards Westminster Abbey. Just before Westminster Abbey turn left on to Great Smith Street. The entrance to Church House is approximately 150 metres on your left.



From Westminster - Leave the station via exit 4, turn right and walk to the first set of traffic lights on your left. Cross the road going towards the Houses of Parliament. Go straight ahead past the Houses of Parliament until you reach the next set of pedestrian lights. Turn right and walk past Westminster Abbey. Take the next left on to Great Smith Street. The entrance to Church House is approximately 150 metres on your left.

From Victoria - Use the exit leading to the mainline station and leave the station by the front entrance. Follow the directions from Victoria Station (below).

Mainline

From Victoria - Leave the station by the front entrance; cross the first road on the right (Vauxhall Bridge Road) and walk straight down Victoria Street for approximately 15 minutes. Just before you reach Westminster Abbey turn left on to Great Smith Street. The entrance to Church House is approximately 150 metres on your left.

From Euston - Follow signs to London Underground, take a Southbound Victoria Line train (final stop Brixton) and get off the tube at Victoria Station. From here you can either walk as above or take the District or Circle Line Eastbound to St James's Park and follow directions from St James's Park Tube.

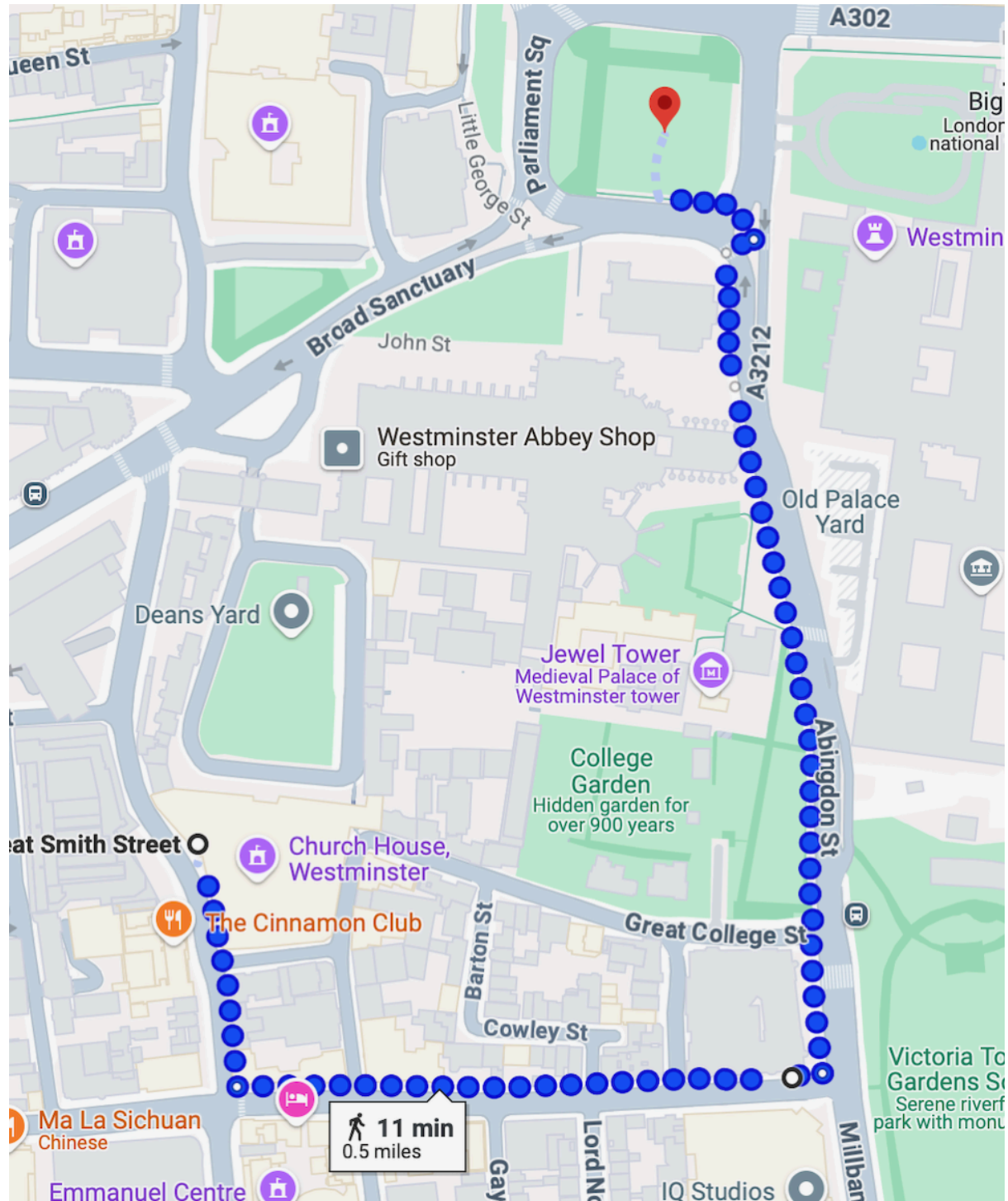
From Kings Cross Station - Follow signs to London Underground. Take a Southbound Victoria Line tube (final stop Brixton). Get off the tube at Victoria Station. From here you can either walk as above or take the District or Circle Line Eastbound to St James's Park and follow directions from St James's Park Tube.

From Paddington Station - Follow signs to London Underground and take a Circle Line train (via Victoria). Get off at St James's Park and follow directions from St James's Park Tube.

RALLY INFORMATION

Supported People will lead our procession to Parliament Square Gardens.

Walking Route Map:



Total Distance: 0.5 miles

Nature of Walk: Peaceful march

Purpose: Peaceful gathering and advocacy

Form up from 11.15am - Form up this is the time we beginning to assemble in order to start our rally.

All Rally Participants are invited to walk from St James Park and surrounding areas to - Church House, 27 Great Smith Street, London SW1P 3AZ

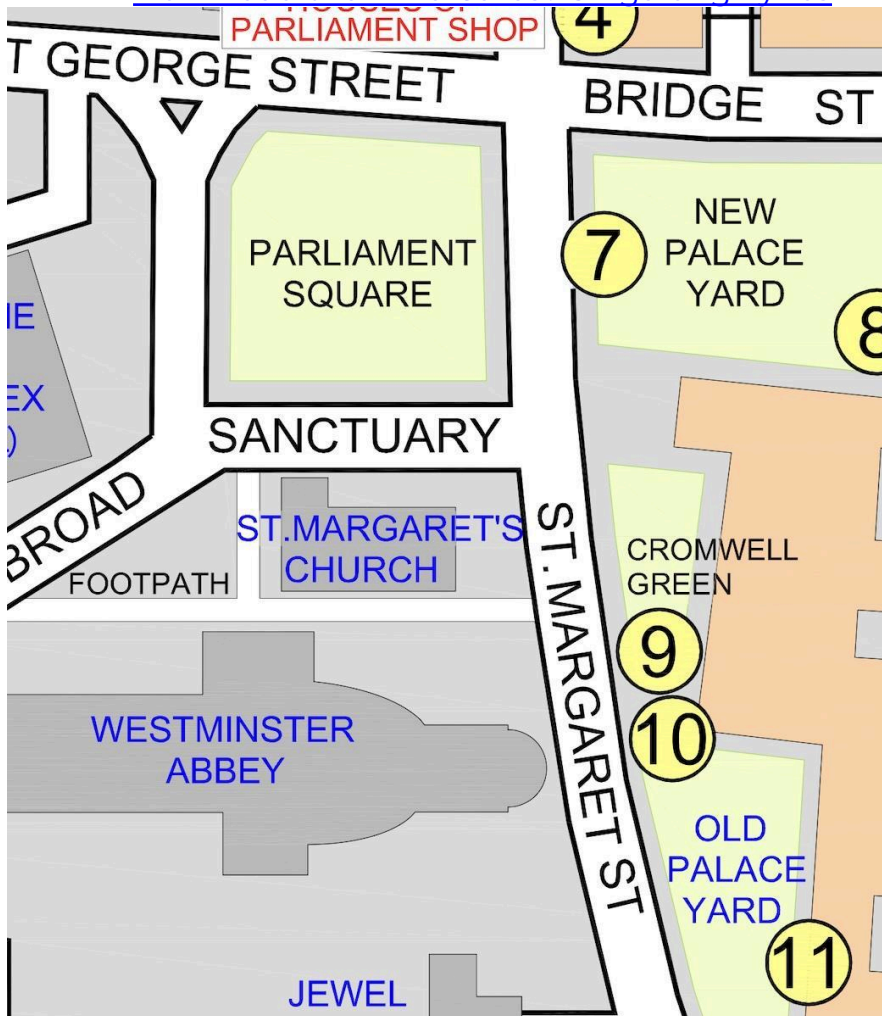
11.30am Rally Starts:

- **We walk south to the end of Great Smith Street**
- Turn left into Great Peter Street
- Turn Left into Millbank
- Process up Abingdon Street turning slight left into Parliament Square Gardens (PSG).

Please note 275 people ONLY can stand with the stewards in Parliament Square at one time.

Arrival (PSG) Circa 12.15pm Boo Leads Sing along for Who Cares?

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From 12.15pm onwards

We will be asking for you to join a queue to "green card" for appointments with MPs entering from the Cromwell Green entrance this is no 9 on the map:

Once we're inside you will need to go through airport style security to gain access to Parliament, on busy days this can take around half an hour.

Highlight the Value of Social Care

Frame your messages around the importance of quality care in supporting people and communities. Avoid focusing solely on financial struggles.

Address Misconceptions

- Proactively counter arguments, such as the misconception that the sector is profitable or capable of absorbing increased costs.

Reminder - Strike a balance by conveying the urgency of the crisis while emphasising the sector's positive contributions. Avoid undue alarm and focus on solutions and impact.

More information on Green Carding can be found here:

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End of RALLY

From 2.45pm Dispersal begins from Parliament Square Gardens.

Please note Parliament Square Gardens MUST be Clear by 3pm