

DEFEND YOUR ABORTION RIGHTS!

Abortion rights in the UK and all over Europe are increasingly being threatened by the rise of conservative “pro-life” groups that actively engage in anti-abortion protests, ‘vigils’ and manipulative actions against women outside clinics.

The British Pregnancy Advisory Service (BPAS) centre here in Stratford has recently become the object of attacks from one of these groups. The “Helpers of God’s Precious Infants” are a Catholic fundamentalist group based in the US, in Australia and in the UK that demonstrate outside clinics and harass women that are entering in an attempt to convince them not to have an abortion. They make look ‘harmless’, but they are highly organised, prepared and trained to put an enormous psychological pressure on women: showing them images of dead fetuses and babies, calling them ‘mummy’ and ‘daddy’, surrounding them, filming them or blocking their access to the clinic. Also, they spread lies about abortion such as it gives breast cancer!

THIS IS TOTALLY UNACCEPTABLE!

WE NEED TO TAKE ACTION TO STOP THEM HARASSING WOMEN!

Today the Helpers are holding a vigil and a procession from St. John’s Church to BPAS centre in Stratford. They do this on a regular basis. We are here to present a counter-force against this group. We want to show women that there are people on their side and make sure they can enter the clinic without being stressed, questioned, traumatised, made to feel guilty or have to justify themselves.

We call for support from the local community to defend the local BPAS centre, to show their indignation to those who have no respect for women and their decisions and to guarantee that women going to the clinic feel safe and supported.

Come and join us!

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We are an East London based feminist group involved in pro-choice actions. Don’t hesitate to contact us if you want to learn more about us or to get involved: feminist.fightback@gmail.com

For further information, you can take a look on these links...

A short video we made of the demo last time around...

<http://www.feministfightback.org.uk/because-when-you-see-something-bad-going-on-you-got-to-try-and-stop-it/>

Articles on strategy for defending the right to abortion can be found here...

<http://www.feministfightback.org.uk/tag/abortion-rights/>

Articles on abortion rights and austerity measures can be found here...

<http://www.abortionrights.org.uk/austerity-is-forcing-more-women-into-unintended-pregnancy-defend-womens-access-to-abortion/>

<http://www.fpa.org.uk/news/unprotected-nation-cuts-sexual-health-services-cost-uk-%C2%A3136-billion>

<http://www.theguardian.com/public-leaders-network/2015/nov/25/teenage-pregnancies-stis-public-health-cuts-nhs>