



RIGHT²
WATER
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**NATIONAL
DEMONSTRATION**

SATURDAY 2:00 pm

**GARDEN OF
REMEMBRANCE**

**PARNELL SQUARE
DUBLIN 1**

WATER IS A HUMAN RIGHT

By now most households have received an 'application pack' from Irish Water. From October 1st, we will be charged for the water we already fund through our taxes. The first bills will hit our letterboxes in January.

RIGHT2WATER: WHO ARE WE?

Right2Water is a citizens' campaign. We believe that water is a human right, and we are seeking the abolition of domestic water charges.

Water charges: hitting the poorest, hardest

Water is a basic human need. But almost all households will now have to pay for water – regardless of whether they can afford it. As with all service charges, low-income households will pay proportionately more.

Water charges: we can't afford them

Irish households cannot afford water charges. And neither can the economy, since water charges will suck more money out of people's pockets, leaving them with less to spend in local shops and businesses.

Irish Water – or private water?

Water should be a public good rather than a private commodity. The formation of Irish Water opens the door to future privatisation of our water supply and an inevitable increase in charges – as has been the case with bin services.

What you can do?

Whether or not you decide to complete the Irish Water application form - If you believe that water is a human right and the charges should be abolished, join with us in the Right2Water campaign.

Visit www.right2water.ie for information on how you can get involved.

