

HEAR OUR VOICES... RESPECT OUR CHOICES

It's time people had a choice about abortion. Establishment politicians are proving incapable of explaining why repeal and abortion are essential for human rights. As with Marriage Equality, the referendum campaign must be led by a grassroots movement involving women, young people, the LGBTQ community and trade unionists, in order to ensure victory.

WHY REPEAL?

- The 8th Amendment says a woman and a fertilised egg or foetus are equal.
- It enforces pregnancy – it was designed to ensure pregnancy must continue, regardless of the circumstances.
- It forces people abroad to access abortion, as their choice to end a pregnancy isn't respected in Ireland.

WHY 12 WEEKS?

- 1 Abortion is an Irish reality, one in three women have a crisis pregnancy in their lifetime. Some of your friends and family have had an abortion for important and legitimate reasons.
- 2 These include feeling unable to bring up a child at this time; unable to provide for existing children or in a physically and emotionally abusive relationship.
- 3 The majority of those who have had abortions already have children. If you agree they aren't criminals, then end this abuse, shame and stigma.
- 4 Anything less than 12 weeks would mean that 92% of women / pregnant people would still be having abortions outside of the law.

#TIME4CHOICE CAMPAIGN

ROSA is launching a campaign that will argue for repeal by explaining that abortion rights are women's rights and are civil rights. A strong vote for Repeal will represent a major victory in the ongoing fight for real gender and economic equality in Ireland. If you agree with ROSA, join our campaign today.

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“If you don't own your own body and the decision to do what you want with your own body, what do you really own?” – Actor Gabriel Byrne, Feb 2018

MAKE HISTORY

The Ireland of the catholic church and anti-choice brigade also gave us the slavery of poor women in Magdalene Laundries, the mass graves of Mother and Baby Homes, the torturous practice of Symphysiotomy, and a contraception ban!

We cannot afford to let out-of-touch establishment politicians make a mess of the referendum campaign.

Even it is was a Yes, but a tight result, some of the same establishment would then try to use this to block abortion legislation for up to 12 weeks. We have to organise to win a strong vote for repeal!

During the inspiring Marriage Equality campaign, tens of thousands of people showed their solidarity with the LGBTQ community, wearing badges, leafleting, street campaigning and calling their grannies for a Yes vote. We need more of this now!

Young people have been the most impacted by austerity and wealth

inequality. But we have the power to determine the outcome of this referendum, to really make history.

We need your help to build a real grassroots, pro-choice Yes campaign that convinces a big majority to endorse repeal and abortion rights.

NOW WE'RE TALKIN'

We will be street campaigning, door knocking, visiting workplaces and colleges, running social media campaigns and much much more. All this will be geared to:

- Ensuring the biggest possible Yes vote by young people
- Convince older generations to vote Yes or at least not to stand in the way of this vital change
- Use a victory as a platform to fight for freedom from all oppression and inequality in a society where people's needs come before profit

ROSA – Socialist Feminist Movement organised the acts of civil disobedience and public information about abortion pills which many have cited as being a crucial factor in pushing along the repeal struggle.



COMING UP:

March with ROSA
on International Women's Day

5.30pm Thursday 8th March
at the Garden of Remembrance,
Parnell Sq. Dublin 1

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