

**KEEP MANCHESTER FREE**

**SAY NO TO  
"CONGESTION"  
CHARGES**



*"The toll tax will hit us all - businesses will cut back on jobs and increase prices."*

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PETITION - [www.manchestertolltax.com](http://www.manchestertolltax.com)*

**MANCHESTER AGAINST ROAD TOLLS**

ASSOCIATION OF BRITISH DRIVERS - [www.abd.org.uk](http://www.abd.org.uk)  
NATIONAL ALLIANCE AGAINST TOLLS - [www.notolls.org.uk](http://www.notolls.org.uk)  
To help email - [manchester@notolls.org.uk](mailto:manchester@notolls.org.uk)

## THE TOLL TRUTH

- They say that charges will "only" be £5 a day for drivers who cross both "cordons". BUT this is only "phase one" and the long term aim is charges of up to £1.34 a mile on most roads, including motorways.
- They say that they will not be spying on drivers. BUT they will be installing one of the biggest surveillance systems in the world so that they can trace drivers and send in the bailiffs.
- They say that charges will not harm less well off drivers. BUT their aim IS to force some drivers off the road, sooner or later this could mean you.
- They say that there will be billions of pounds for trams etc and give the idea that this will be a present from the tooth fairy. BUT most of these billions will come from drivers forced to pay this new "toll tax".
- They make it seem that charges will cost nothing to collect. BUT London charges cost over £4 a day to enforce, and when the full scheme is introduced in Manchester the costs will be the same as adding 20 pence a litre to fuel cost.
- They say roads users are getting "a free ride". BUT roads users already pay £50 billion taxes a year, and get almost nothing back.
- They say they want to reduce congestion. BUT they created most of it by crippling rather than improving the roads system, and they intend to make it worse by further reducing road space.
- They say that we need better public transport. WE AGREE, BUT we do not want a new tax that will hurt people and businesses, will divide communities and only benefit the tax collectors.