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Running for the strikers

Susy from Ofgem has organised a team for the Glasgow Winter Warmer Run to raise money for the PCS strike fund.

After our historic “YES” vote in our ballot, we wanted to raise funds in solidarity with our striking colleagues during this cost-of-living crisis.

It's important that we support this strike financially as well as with solidarity on the picket lines. The strike action needs to be prolonged and targeted, to make it effective and to ensure that we can win on our demands for better pay, fairer pensions and to protect our jobs and redundancy terms. If we stand together, we can win.

We decided to get a team together to run in the [Glasgow Winter Warmer Run](#). The team so far is me and Vanessa Simpson, both from Ofgem Glasgow, Craig Dunlop from ACAS, Nadine Gorman from FCDO and John Davidson from HMRC East Kilbride.

We're looking for new runners to join our team if you fancy a go at either a 5K, 10K or Half Marathon event. I've signed up for the 10K. You don't have to be an experienced runner.*

You can [sign up for the Winter Warmer Run online](#). The event itself raises funds for homeless charity Shelter.

We hope to raise at least £1000 for the strike fund by running. If you can help, please [donate on our Just Giving crowdfunding page](#).

*The course is flat and mainly on paths apart from one section that is trail. It is wheelchair and buggy friendly (just note the one section that is on trail).

Why not think about ways that you could raise money for the PCS strike fund? There are many fun and creative things that you could consider to raise money and awareness.