

# ANIMATING PETERLOO

## TEACHER NOTES

We hope that this animation resource inspires your students to think about democracy and whether they feel that they are represented by the people in power.

When RECLAIM made the animation featured in this resource, we began discussing the themes of Peterloo with a simple prompt:

### **Is your voice heard?**

Once your group have watched the animation, and as they begin thinking of their own ideas, you may want to use this prompt to begin discussing and writing down the issues that come up.

If it would be useful to have further prompts for the group as they discuss their ideas, here are some suggestions:

- Think about something unfair that happened recently. This could be something that happened to one person, or it could be bigger scale such as an international event
- What do you think the Peterloo protestors would be marching for today?
- What is the key thing about the Peterloo Massacre that sticks out for you?

These issues and ideas will be edited down into a short sentence, slogan or just one word that will appear in the animation.

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