

# Work across Public Services

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## **End the Public Sector Pay Pinch!**

### **NEW GMB REPORT**

The GMB has published a further major new report on public sector pay which focuses on the 55% of public sector workers not covered by a pay review body.

The report, titled 'Public Sector Pay and the Forgotten Three Million', sets out the case for the 55 per cent of public sector workers – including council workers, front-line school and police support staff, and civil servants not covered by a Pay Review Body.

The GMB report reveals that in order to enforce the cap on the 3 million public sector workers not subject to pay review bodies – the Government has stripped billions of pounds from the budgets of local Governments, schools and police forces.

### Enough is enough.

That's why GMB is taking the message to the Government that they must change course. After seven years of pay cuts, only a real pay rise will do. GMB is a democratic union and only GMB members have a say on how we respond to the government's position on pay. So if you're not a member of a union sign up and be part of the fight back

The publication, titled 'Public Sector Pay and the Forgotten Three Million,' follows the Government's rejection of the Police Review Body's recommendation for a 2 per cent consolidated increase in police pay.

### Read the GMB report at:

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### **Key Findings**

The report's major findings are that:

- The Government pinched £737 million from local government wage budgets in just two years to enforce the pay cap
- The annual public sector bill for agency and temporary workers has risen by £2.5 billion since 2012/13
- Local authority workers are paid 22 per cent below the public sector average
- Average teaching assistant pay has risen by 2.7 per cent between 2011 and 2016
   compared to 7.9 per cent CPI inflation
- 85 per cent of unitary local authorities say they are encountering recruiting and retention problems
- The voluntary turnover rate for PCSOs increased from 8 per cent in 2010/11 to 15 per cent in 2016/17
- Public sector workers are twice as likely to work unpaid overtime as those in the private sector, and the pay cap is affecting 2.4 million children
- Despite claiming that they respect the recommendations of the Pay Review Bodies, Ministers have rejected the recommendations of two review bodies (for police officers and NHS workers) and abolished the negotiating body for school support staff.

Not a member of a trade union? Then sign up to the GMB today to support the campaign.



# Want to get involved? Sign up today

Joining the GMB is easy, quick and fast. You, or your colleagues, can join via one of the following methods:

- 1. Online at <a href="https://www.gmb.org.uk/join">www.gmb.org.uk/join</a>
- 2. Complete the GMB application form and post to GMB Public Services Section, 22 Stephenson Way, London. NW1 2HD.
- 3. Ring 020 7391 6700 and ask how you can join.
- 4. Email <a href="mailto:info@gmb.org.uk">info@gmb.org.uk</a> asking for a membership form.
- 5. Ask the GMB to visit your workplace and work colleagues: Email <a href="mailto:info@gmb.org.uk">info@gmb.org.uk</a> and arrangements can be made to have a face-to-face meeting.

# Ensure your membership details are correct by registering with GMB online:

https://www.gmb.org.uk/login

#### Why Join GMB?

GMB is Britain's fastest growing trade union. GMB is a campaigning trade union; its job is to get the best deal for GMB members at work and is committed to building a strong organisation in every GMB workplace and to help make every workplace safer. Whoever you are, wherever you work, joining GMB is the right decision.

#### **GMB Membership Subscriptions:**

Full time - £3.05 a week

Part time - £1.78 a week

### <u>GMB estimates</u> Real-terms cuts to public sector pay 2010 to 2020

Role	Real-terms amount pinched (in total)
Police Administrative Assistant	£6,739
School Lab Technician	£8,637
Teaching Assistant	£8,868
Refuse Collector	£9,042
Police Custody Officer	£9,270
PCSO	£9,580
Administrative Assistant (LA)	£10,642
Qualified Residential Social Worker	£11,709
Scene of Crime Investigator	£11,933
Higher Level Teaching Assistant	£12,492
Social Worker	£12,987
School Library Manager	£13,421
Housing Officer	£14,675
Homelessness Prevention Officer	£15,090







PUBLIC SECTOR WORKERS ARE NOT COVERED BY A PAY REVIEW BODY

HELP END THE PINCH FOR ALL PUBLIC SECTOR STAFF: WWW.PAYPINCH.ORG





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It can be as simple as a new manager, or a new way of working that causes you a problem at work. Guard against that day by joining GMB now. GMB membership covers you wherever you work. Only GMB members get GMB help. IF YOU WORK YOU NEED GMB@WORK

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