



Dear Colleague

There are two important issues you need to be aware of:

1. Although a majority attended the depot, there were still a lot of members who didn't attend the pay ballot, so I will be sending a ballot paper to their home addresses. I suspect the outcome of the ballot will be a complete reject on the pay offer of 1.75% and a move towards a full strike ballot, if no further increase is forthcoming. I will, therefore, close the ballot on Wednesday 15th September 2021.
2. There are Loaders and Drivers who are non-members. I have given Freddie envelopes with joining forms and pens inside; if you're a Driver or Loader who is in contact with any non-members, please can you speak to Freddie to get one of the envelopes and encourage your colleagues to join. If the pay does go to a full postal ballot, it's vital to have significant numbers to ballot. We have two weeks to turn this around. Please return any joining forms to Freddie.

There are joining forms for the subscription either to be set up as a Direct Debit or to come from your wages. If choose to join with the subscription coming from your wages, your staff id number must be included.

Yours fraternally,

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