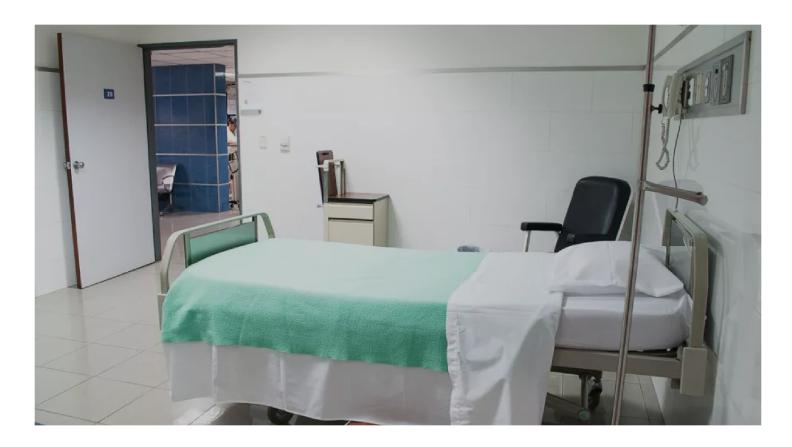
## Calderdale Hospital workers win pay increase



## Frontline NHS staff at Calderdale Hospital have won a substantial pay increase.

Workers, employed as porters, domestics and caterers by outsourced private healthcare company ISS, have had their pay increased from £9.50 per hour to £9.72 following months of campaigning by GMB members.

The increase also includes a new £1 per hour weekend enhancement for those previously on a flat rate.

Both increases will be backdated to 1 April 2022.



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GMB members have been campaigning since January, recruiting new members, staging protests outside the hospital, writing to local MPs and community groups and building support through petitions.

Prior to ISS's recent pay announcement, GMB had notified the employer of its intention to run a consultative ballot for strike action – that ballot concluded on Friday 27 May with members voting in favour of taking action.

GMB members are meeting this week to discuss the next steps.

## Joe Wheatley, GMB Organiser, said:

"This recent pay announcement is only the beginning and a testament to the determination of our members.

"However workers are still demanding alignment with NHS rates, terms and conditions.

"Simply put, they're NHS workers, they should be paid NHS wages.

"GMB and its members will continue to campaign and engage with ISS and the trust to win what they know they deserve."

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