

# Solihull bin strike off after workers accept new deal



**The Solihull Bin Strike has been cancelled after GMB members narrowly accepted a new pay deal.**

Almost 100 refuse workers were set to walk out for five days from Monday [28 March], in a strike affecting up to 86,000 homes.

Today, GMB members accepted a pay rise of up to 5.26 per cent, with a minimum of £10 per hour.

Amey Services Limited, who hold the refuse services contract with Solihull Council, originally offered just £9.50 per hour.



On a turnout of 83 per cent, just over 56 per cent voted to accept the new deal.

GMB's membership has doubled during the dispute.

**Dave Warwick, GMB Organiser, said:**

"GMB members have fought hard to get a pay rise to help them battle the crushing cost of living crisis.

"It was a close vote, with the membership split pretty much down the middle.

"This deal is the first time ever a union has won a blanket pay rise for every single worker on Solihull's refuse contract.

"We are very proud of the way they stood up for themselves against bullying tactics of their employer and each one of them will now take home more money in their pockets."

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