

Covid plan B: Government must make furlough and sick pay guarantees



GMB Union has called for Government guarantees on furlough, sick pay and workers safety in the wake of the covid plan B measures announced by the Prime Minister.

Dan Shears, GMB National Health Director, said:

"If covid restrictions lead to employers calling for help or laying off workers - GMB supports reintroduction of the furlough scheme, or something very like it.



"We need a clear plan from the Government around this so workers and businesses know what's coming.

"As during previous waves of covid, GMB will be calling for full sick pay for all workers who suffer covid-related absence, so no one has to make a choice between the greater good and feeding their families.

"Workers' health and safety must be a priority."

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