

Manchester tram workers vote for strike action



Manchester faces travel chaos after tram workers voted for strike action.

Dozens of GMB members working for Great Manchester's Metrolink service delivered a unanimous yes vote for industrial action.

Workers will take industrial action on Strike 29 September and 6,13 and 20 October.

Workers are angry about the erosion of their terms and conditions since the contract, currently operated by Bidvest Noonan, was outsourced.

Shaun Buckley, GMB Organiser, said:



“Manchester’s tram workers have delivered a 100 per cent yes vote to take industrial action to demand the return of their sickness benefit scheme and bank holiday pay rates.

“Since the contract was outsourced, GMB members have suffered worse terms and conditions and a merry-go-round of changing employers winning contracts to clean the trams.

“If Transport for Greater Manchester, the Manchester Mayor’s Office and Bidvest Noonan want to stop travel chaos for the city, they must stop the erosion of terms and conditions for these already low paid workers.”

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