

# Coventry care home faces strike disruption as union slams culture of 'poverty pay'.



## Workers at Coventry's Victoria Park care home begin strike vote this week, says GMB.

GMB union has today announced that workers at Victoria Park care home in Coventry will begin balloting for strike action.

The news comes after the union accused HC One of failing to listen to workers' concerns.

Workers are furious after a popular local care home manager was sacked from the home after raising safety concerns about the referral of hospital outpatients to Victoria Park.



A recent UK wide survey of workers in HC One Care homes found that staff were feeling the pinch of poor working conditions, with 40% of staff considering leaving because they don't earn enough to live .

Around 20 workers at the home are expected to join the ballot which begins on Thursday 21 December with a result expected after 4 January.

**Kate Gorton, GMB Organiser, said:**

"For months HC One top brass have stubbornly refused to listen to the concerns of our members.

"These workers care deeply about this care home and its residents, no one knows more about what's best for Victoria Park than they do.

"Considering strike action is a last resort for them and shows the level of anger at HC One's failure to act.

"It's time for them to reinstate the home manager, take seriously the safety concerns of carers and get real on pay."

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