

Asda Lowestoft workers vote to strike



Asda workers in Lowestoft have voted to strike over a litany of issues

Almost 200 GMB members are set to down tools after a majority of 87 per cent voted for industrial action, on an 80 per cent turnout.

Strike dates will be announced in the coming days.

Workers are angry at a series of issues including:



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- Cuts in hours
- Poor quality training
- Bullying management
- Health and safety issues not being addressed
- Fire safety breaches rampant
- Equal pay not resolved in a timely manner
- No collective bargaining with GMB

Lowestoft will become just the third Asda to face a strike, after workers in Gosport walked out last month and with staff at Wisbech set for industrial action over Easter weekend.

Keith Dixon, GMB Regional Organiser, said:

"Asda's owners are not investing in stores and workers are paying the price.

"The evidence is clear; thousands of health and safety breaches, including blocked fire exits, fire routes, and fire extinguishers, along with faulty fire alarm systems.

"At the same time workers face cuts to their hours and inadequate training.

"They've had enough and are walking out to make sure Asda listens."

"GMB is behind every one of our members within Asda Lowestoft in making sure their voices are heard and they are treated with the respect and dignity they deserve."

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