

# Global IT meltdown shows cash still vital



**A global IT outage today which left shoppers across the UK unable to make card payments shows that cash is still a vital part of society.**

**Eamon O’Hearn, GMB National Officer, said:**

“Today’s outage reinforces what GMB has been saying for years – cash is a vital part of how our communities operate.

“When you take cash out of the system, it means people have nothing to fall back on, impacting on how they do the everyday basics – even buying food.



"Today needs to be the start of a new conversation at a local and national level of how we keep cash in our society."

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