

# Nottinghamshire hospitals face strike uncertainty



## Health bosses 'tied up in Notts' as hundreds of workers due to walk out again.

GMB Union has today announced a further 48 hours of strike action by private contractors at three of Nottinghamshire's biggest hospitals

Employed by Medirest, a private contractor in Nottinghamshire's Sherwood Forest Hospital Trust, workers are furious as company bosses refuse to bring terms and conditions in line with colleagues employed directly by the NHS.

Workers have also been denied the NHS Covid Recovery Bonus, the one of payment made to Britain's health service, despite working throughout the Pandemic alongside NHS colleagues.



Strike action will take place on Thursday 1 and Friday 2 August 2024, bringing the total strike days by the workers' to ten.

Nearly three hundred workers, including porters, cleaners, security staff, catering workers and reception teams will take part in the walkout at King's Mill, Mansfield Community and Newark Community Hospitals.

**Cameron Mitchell, GMB Organiser, said:**

"Medirest is a national company that should be focused on delivering key NHS services, but instead have got themselves tied up in Notts.

"NHS workers receive better pay, terms and conditions than Medirest staff for doing the same job.

"Plenty of private contractors in Nottinghamshire's health service reward staff in line with NHS employed workers; why are Medirest refusing to do the same?".

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