Luxury headscarf makers walk out again later talks break down



Where: Lappet Manufacturing, Gleneden Mill Lorne Crescent, Carlisle CA2 5XA

When: 08:30am, 8, 9 and 10 November 2024

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Dozens of headscarf workers will walk out for four more days after talks broke down.

Skilled weavers at Lappet Manufacturing, in Carlisle, will walk out today, tomorrow [Friday], Saturday [9 November] and Sunday [10 November] in anger at low pay and 'crushing' targets, GMB has said.



Workers need years of experience to make the high end headscarves, predominantly for the Saudi Arabian market, but their pay does not reflect that, says GMB Union.

Michael Hall, GMB Regional Organiser, said:

"These highly skilled workers make intricate, delicate garments for the high end market.

"Yet they struggle to get by on poverty pay, while facing crushing targets.

"These workers have vowed to fight on until bosses meet with them and give them a wage they can live on.

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