

# Don't sack 12,000 Asda workers just before Christmas'



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GMB, the union for Asda workers, **has written to company bosses** calling on them not to sack 12,000 workers just before Christmas.

In an open letter to senior vice president Hayley Tatum, GMB calls on the company to withdraw its threat to sack all workers who don't sign the controversial Contract 6 on November 2.

Last week Asda workers handed in a 23,000 strong petition opposing the contract to Asda HW during a mass protest in Leeds.

Hundreds of people from across the UK gathered in Leeds to voice their anger.



Asda workers have been told to sign the contracts – which will see them lose all their paid breaks and forced to work bank holidays – or be sacked on November 2 in the run up the Christmas.

[Stand with Asda workers – sign our petition](#)

Dr Who star Paul McGann, who also starred in cult hit *Withnail and I* and *Aliens 3*, and Rob Delaney, who appeared in *Catastrophe* and *Deadpool 2*, both lent their support to Asda workers.

Latest company accounts show directors trousered a whopping £12million last year – and profits rocketed more than £92 million – at the same time Asda slashed 5,000 jobs

**Gary Carter, GMB National Officer, said:**

“If Asda is serious about not wanting to sack thousands its employees on the run up to Christmas, they need to withdraw the dismissal notices and sit down with GMB to resolve this dispute.

“Asda has served notice on up to 12,000 of its loyal employees – that can not be right.

“The onus is now on them to save people’s jobs with a better deal that their employees can sign up to.”

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