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Matalan strike suspended after bosses offer new pay deal

A long-running Matalan strike has been called off after bosses made GMB members a new pay offer.

More than 500 workers at Matalan's Northern Distribution Centre based in Knowsley, Merseyside, had been on strike after management made a pay offer which amounted to a real terms pay cut.

The industrial action has been going on since August, with some strikers erecting tents outside the warehouse.

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But talks this week produced a new deal, which GMB members will vote on this weekend.

A result is expected on Monday.

A joint GMB and Matalan statement read:

“Employees and their welfare has always been the focus and GMB and Matalan have been working hard together to resolve the issue.

“After extensive negotiations from both sides, Matalan and GMB are pleased to announce t a fully recommended deal has been brokered, which will be put to ballot this weekend.

“GMB and Matalan will continue every effort to bring this dispute to a resolution so the employees can return to work.”

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