

# Queen's bins at Windsor Castle won't be emptied tomorrow as 62,000 households face refuse strike



**GMB members on strike within Windsor and Maidenhead will stop collecting bins from tomorrow, including from Queen's residence**



The Queen's bins at Windsor Castle will remain unemptied this week as 62,000 households face a refuse strike from tomorrow [31 August 2022].

Members of GMB, the union for refuse workers in Royal Borough of Windsor and Maidenhead, will begin an initial two weeks of industrial action over pay.

The workers, employed by council contractor, Serco, will also halt kerbside collections during the dispute, while waste transfer sites will also be affected.

The union can also confirm that the residences which will be affected do include the Queen's residence, Windsor Castle.

**Nikki Dancey, GMB Regional Officer said:**

"All our members are doing is standing up for themselves.

"This is one of the most affluent areas in the country, and one of the most expensive places to live.

"Our members carry out a difficult job, which is not only dirty, but also physically demanding, and they do so every single day, come rain or shine.

"They're not asking for the earth, just comparable pay with workers doing the same job in surrounding areas.

"We've been clear to Serco what our members would be prepared to accept, and the members would not be going out on strike if the company had met those demands."

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