

Almost 200 workers laid off after voting to strike



Polyflor staff face indictive attack on workers due to take legitimate industrial action over pay

Almost 200 workers at a floor company have been laid off after voting to strike.

Staff at Polyflor Ltd, in Manchester, will down tools tomorrow [7 September]

But ahead of the strike, all workers taking industrial action received a message from the company saying 'process shifts for process workers continue to be suspended...please do not turn up for your shift(s) from 6am on Monday 5th September.'



The company is a leading manufacturer of vinyl floorcoverings.

After months of delays and several weeks of negotiations, GMB members have rejected the company's final pay offer.

Stephen Boden, GMB Regional Organiser, said:

"GMB has written to the company demanding an explanation.

"This looks like a vindictive attack on workers due to take legitimate industrial action over pay.

"GMB members are struggling with the cost-of-living crisis, all they are looking for is a fair settlement of a 10 per cent – which is still below inflation.

"Meanwhile the company dishes out £24 million to shareholders

"GMB is encouraging bosses to get back around the table and enter meaningful negotiations to bring the dispute to a close."

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