

Construction workers protest in Central London



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GMB construction workers took to the streets to protest over the cost of living crush. [See attached for pictures]

Senior stewards from the union demonstrated outside the Engineering Construction Industry Association headquarters in central London today [Tuesday].

In 2021, pay for construction workers was settled at 2.5 per cent for 2022 and 2023 under the NAECI agreement – the national agreement for engineering construction workers.



But that was before inflation rocketed – workers are now asking employers to work with the GMB Union to ensure they are not left struggling to afford to live.

Charlotte Childs, GMB National Officer, said:

“The unions accept that there was a two-year deal made.

“But things have changed. Our members are working on power stations and oil refineries up and down the country, seeing companies and clients enjoy record profits.

“Meanwhile they’re worrying about how they are going to make ends meet.

“They often work away from home and are trapped by rapidly rising cost of food and accommodation.

“Bosses need to stop burying their heads in the sand and help these workers keep their families fed.”

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