

# Northampton bin workers vote to strike



## Northampton town's bin workers have voted for strike action.

Industrial action – which could affect 94,000 homes – could take place as early as 27 April.

GMB now meet with members to discuss possible strike dates.

Northampton's refuse collectors – employed by Veolia – are angry after turning down a real terms pay cut, with inflation running at a 9 per cent.

The council, ultimately responsible for bin collections, has increased Veolia's funding by 5.5 per cent, but the company are refusing to pass that on to workers.



**Dave Warwick, GMB Organiser, said:**

"Northampton town now faces a massive bin strike because of boss's penny pinching.

"The council has given Veolia a big funding increase to battle inflation, but the company won't pass any on to workers.

"Now they must deal with the consequences – dirty streets and huge disruption for the residents of Northampton.

"It's not too late to stop this strike – a decent pay offer would get workers back round the table."

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