

Calderdale hospital workers protest over 'poverty pay'



GMB union members working as cleaners, caterers, porters and security will demonstration outside Calderdale Royal Hospital in anger over 'poverty pay'.

The protest takes place as follows:

Saturday 5 March 2022 at 2pm

Calderdale Royal Hospital, Salterhebble, Halifax HX3 0PW

Workers are unhappy their employer ISS pays only the minimum wage while other nearby hospitals – in Bradford, Leeds and Doncaster – those in identical roles employed by the NHS are paid £1.28 per hour more.



Many Calderdale workers don't receive weekend enhancements and are on a lower night rate.

Joe Wheatley, GMB Representative, said:

"GMB members who work at ISS are demanding alignment with NHS pay rates, terms and conditions.

"These workers deserve so much more than the minimum pay they are currently on.

"Throughout the pandemic they've gone above and beyond to keep the hospital going.

"To emerge from the shadows of lockdown only to find they're paid less than what they would be for stacking shelves at Lidl is a disgrace.

"Our members have had enough – poverty pay won't put food on the table and keep up with the cost of rising fuel bills."

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