

## Social care cap picking pockets of poorest pensioners



GMB Union has described the Government's new social care cap as 'picking the pockets of the poorest pensioners'

Rachel Harrison, GMB National Officer, said:

"Our social care system is on its knees and desperately needs more cash - everyone knows that.

"But picking the pockets of the poorest pensioners is cruel, misguided and doesn't really look like levelling up.



"Social care is broken, with a staffing blackhole that could grow to 170,000 vacancies by the end of the year. Dedicated, minimum wage workers efforts' are lining the pockets of private equity sharks.

"However we fund social care – and taking everything from those who have the least is not the way to do it – the system will continue to fail unless cash is ring-fenced for workers.

"That's why GMB is campaigning for a £15 an hour minimum for care workers."

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