

# Social care propped up by 'unpaid hours and poverty pay'



## Social care union GMB criticises lack of 'political will' in Queen's Speech to fix a 'failing and fundamentally broken system'

GMB Union, the union for social care workers, has criticised the lack of action on social care in the Queen's Speech.

**Rehana Azam, GMB National Secretary, said:**

"Warm words over the last year have led to nothing in the Queen's Speech but a vague commitment to some sort of social care 'reform'.



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"Those caring for the people we love most in this world -at a time when they are most vulnerable- prop up a failing and fundamentally broken system through unpaid hours and poverty pay.

"It doesn't have to be that way, it takes political will to change it. That political will wasn't on show today."

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