

Brighton and Hove bosses claim ignorance over sex discrimination



Brighton and Hove Council (BHCC) bosses claiming to be unaware of sex discrimination at the council is 'staggering'

GMB, the union for Equal Pay in Brighton, has written to the local authority requesting a meeting to discuss large scale lodging of equal pay claims.

But the council's hierarchy doesn't seem clear about what information it already has, relating to equal pay and the discrimination of thousands of its own staff.



These roles include school support staff – such as teaching assistants – cleaners, caterers, care workers, adult social care staff and many more who deserve to be paid equally to those in male dominated roles.

Men in these roles will most likely have claims too.

Lib Whitfield, GMB Senior Organiser, said:

"Bosses at BHCC need to get a handle on the issues inside their own council.

"At the moment the right hand doesn't know what the left hand is doing.

"From GMB's point of view, getting around the table as soon as possible would seem a sensible approach.

"But whether we meet now or later, the legal and industrial process will move forward.

"During the coming weeks GMB will meet as many members as possible to brief them on how they have been discriminated against, how much they could be owed and what they need to do next."

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