

# Low Pay Commission reform step in right direction



**GMB Union has described the Government updating the Low Pay Commission's remit as 'a step in the right direction'.**

**Ross Holden, GMB Policy Officer, said:**

"This is a first step in the right direction from the Labour Government.

"Young workers should never be paid less for doing the same work as older colleagues, no matter their age.

"GMB has long called for ending this disparity and we welcome progress on this.



"Under the Tories, many low-paid workers' hourly pay remained just pennies above what they were worth a decade ago in real-terms.

"Accounting for rising cost-of-living when uplifting the minimum wage each year is long overdue.

"GMB believes doing so must include using measures like the Retail Prices Index (RPI) which is a more reliable measure of workers' cost of living pressures as our members feel it."

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