

Subway and Five Guys food workers face 'P&O style' threat



Workers delivering food for Manchester United, Five Guys and Subway face a 'P&O style' fire and rehire threat, Unions have warned.

Thousands of staff at Bidfood – a company which also delivers food for the army, prisons and schools across the UK – could now be sacked and reemployed on worse terms and conditions.

Workers at the company have been left exposed to fire and rehire after bosses tore up a long-standing recognition deal with unions GMB and Unite at the firm.

The deal between unions and Bidfood goes back thirty years – but management this week ripped it up with immediate effect, without the standard notice period.



GMB and Unite will now talk to members to discuss next steps, which will likely include a strike vote.

Nadine Houghton, GMB National Officer, said:

“GMB, Unite and Bidfood have successfully worked together to improve workers’ pay, terms and conditions since at least the 1990s.

“Our members work hard delivering vital food supplies for the army, prisons and schools across the UK.

“They deserve the protections union recognition brings.

“Without us, bosses will be able to do what they want, ripping up their contracts and enforcing worse terms and conditions.

“Bidfood faces becoming P&O on the road and GMB members won’t stand for it. All options are open, including an industrial action vote.”

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