

# Birmingham equal pay strikes

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Birmingham could be set for more equal pay strikes as women workers vote with hundreds of millions of pounds of stolen wages left unpaid.

Members of GMB Union, Birmingham Council Council's largest trade union, will today begin a consultative vote on strike action.

Around 3,000 workers across Birmingham schools are expected to take part in the initial ballot.

Birmingham Council admitted it had an equal pay liability in June 2023.

Then in December 24 agreed a formula - with unions - which valued the claims at at least £250 million.



**Rachel Fagan, GMB Regional Organiser, said:**

"It's been nearly two years since the Council finally admitted they had an equal pay crisis on their hands.

"Since then we've seen missed opportunity after missed opportunity to do right by women workers.

"Meanwhile thousands of women are still being short changed and paid less than they are worth.

"GMB members have been promised settlement by the Autumn, but progress is too slow.

"They are voting on strike action to send a message that enough is enough; they are worth more and demand settlement of Birmingham's equal pay claims".

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