100s of Bradford Council workers lodge equal pay claim



Hundreds of Bradford Council workers have launched equal pay claims, with GMB Union accusing bosses of 'burying their heads in the sand'.

Local authority workers in the city signed up after GMB Union uncovered staff working in a mainly male departments are effectively being paid more an hour than female counterparts in other parts of the council.

There are already hundreds of claimants - with hundreds more expected to join the claim.

If successful, they would be able to up to 6 years pay differential - a bill likely to run into millions of pounds.



GMB urges council workers in female dominated roles to contact the union to submit a claim and protect their legal right.

Lou Foster-Wilson, GMB Organiser, said:

"Our members are angry at being short-changed, and quite rightly so. It's shameful.

"Bradford Council bosses have buried their heads in the sand for more than six months; avoiding engaging in negotiations to resolve the dispute.

"Hundreds of claims are piling up – with hundreds more to follow.

"The longer it takes to settle these claims the bigger the bill Bradford Council will have to pick up.

"I urge the council to do the right thing by our members and its workforce and get round the negotiating table, so we can sort out a settlement for our members as soon as possible."

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