

Subway, Five Guys and Man uUd workers win chance for union vote



Workers delivering food for Manchester United, Five Guys and Subway have won the right to vote for a union voice.

More than 1,800 staff at Bidfood – a company which also delivers food for the army, prisons and schools across the UK – will vote on whether the company must allow GMB and Unite to negotiate on pay, terms and conditions.

GMB and Unite were recognised trade unions for Bidfood for more than thirty years – but in January Bidfood bosses ripped up the deal with immediate effect, without the standard notice period.



Now workers will get the chance to vote the unions back in following a decision by the Central Arbitration Committee (CAC) to accept the unions' joint application for recognition.

Nadine Houghton, GMB National Officer, said:

"GMB members work hard delivering vital food supplies for the army, prisons, schools and high street restaurants across the UK.

"Bidfood bosses didn't think these hard-working colleagues deserved a say on who and how they are represented at work - a basic right in any democracy.

"Now the workers have taken matters back into their own hands and organised enough support to win a legally binding ballot on recognition.

"They won't be dictated to and finally get the chance to decide for themselves."

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