

Airedale strike escalates with three new walkouts



The Airedale Hospital strike is set to escalate as workers announce the dates of three new walkouts.

More than 150 staff on site, including porters, domestics, catering and security staff will down tools on 1, 2 and 3 October.

The affected workers are employed by AGH Solutions (AGHS), a wholly owned subsidiary of Airedale NHS Foundation Trust.

Unlike their NHS colleagues, AGHS staff are denied access to standard NHS terms and conditions, including the pension scheme, sick pay, annual leave entitlements and enhanced rates for Sunday working.



GMB members at the site also walked from 12 – 16 September.

Joe Wheatley, GMB Organiser, said:

“Despite three strikes days and significant disruption to the hospital, the trust’s management still refuse to have a grown up discussion around our members issues.

“It can’t be right these vital workers are treated worse than their colleagues in the same hospital. It makes no sense and it’s morally repugnant.

“The last thing they want to do is go on strike again – but their voices must be heard.”

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