

TB outbreak at Amazon Coventry



A tuberculosis outbreak at an Amazon warehouse means the site should be temporarily closed, GMB has said.

Multiple cases have been reported at the internet giant's Coventry site, with NHS staff attended this week to perform blood tests on members of staff.

GMB has written to Amazon bosses calling for:

- The site must be immediately closed and all staff sent home.
- workers be medically suspended on full pay while the situation is assessed and brought under control.
- The site must remain closed until appropriate infection control measures are implemented to prevent further spread of TB.



Amada Gearing, GMB Senior Organiser, said:

“Currently, Amazon is putting all workers, site visitors, and the local and wider communities at risk of exposure to a serious infectious disease.

“Coventry Amazon risks becoming the engine room of a mass TB outbreak of a scale not seen for decades.

“Immediate and decisive action – including the temporary closure of Amazon Coventry – is required to prevent this.”

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