

Cumbria packaging workers to strike



Almost 100 workers at a Cumbria packaging firm will strike in a dispute over pay.

Staff at Futamura will walk out after a majority of almost 90 per cent voted for industrial action.

The site in Wigton makes cellulose film for packaging.

GMB members turned down an offer of 1.2 per cent, which represents a real terms pay cut.

Michael Hall, GMB Regional Organiser, said:



"GMB members at Futamura have had enough.

"The vast majority are now willing to go out on strike if that's what it takes to get a fair pay offer for the work they do for this company.

"We have been patient and tried to give the company time to listen and make a reasonable offer.

"But our members will not accept a below inflation pay offer, that is a real terms pay cut.

"They have bills to pay and food to put on the table.

"We are now considering potential days for action."

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