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GMB, Britain's general union, says the Prime Minister showed a failure of leadership today as he passed responsibility for keeping people safe to employers and local authorities.



John Phillips, GMB Acting General Secretary, said:

"The Prime Minister has once again shown a failure of leadership in the face of this pandemic. Passing the responsibility of keeping the people safe to employers and local authorities is confusing and dangerous.

"With fears of a second spike looming, bewildering advice, and a desperately underfunded health service – the Prime Minister's talk of returning to normality by Christmas just seems phony.

"All support is welcome, but three billion pounds for the NHS is no where near enough – the regulator warned just last year that health providers closed the year with an underlying deficit of £5 billion."

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