

# Strike disruption on horizon as Stoke council accused of 'union busting'



**GMB Union has today slammed attempts by Conservative-run Stoke City Council to force through attacks on the terms and conditions of low paid workers.**

Despite good faith attempts on the part of GMB and other staff unions, official documents due to be presented to the Council's Cabinet reveal the administration's unwillingness to engage with dispute resolution.



**Michelle McCrossen, GMB Organiser, said:**

“The information in these documents is an unfortunate escalation on the part of Stoke City Council and one that can only be described as union busting.

“Despite good faith attempts to resolve these issues on the part of trade unions at the council, clearly the leadership are hell bent on driving through damaging attacks to the terms and conditions of our members.

“This is a stark display of the council’s priorities. The majority of our members, many of whom are low paid women workers, already feeling the pinch of a cost of living crisis and struggling to make ends meet.

“Strike disruption is always a last resort, but would inevitably cause huge disruption to service across Stoke.

“Our members will keep all options on the table as we confront the council on this and we urge all workers to join GMB today.”

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