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# **WEST YORKSHIRE POLICE £40 MILLION CASH BLACK HOLE PUTS 1000 JOBS AT RISK SAYS GMB**

Boris Johnson launched his big announcement on reversing police cuts right here in West Yorkshire – now we can see this for the lie that it is says GMB Union.

A huge funding deficit of up to £40 million at West Yorkshire Police (WYP) could put 1,000 jobs at serious risk says GMB Union.

Details of the deficit – and the need to address it in 2021 was shared with police officers and staff before being leaked to the press late last week.<sup>1</sup>

Police staff perform vital functions within the police service including control room operations, crime scene investigation, PCSOs and many more roles.

**Rachal Dix, GMB Organiser**, said:

“Spending reviews, restructuring and re-focussing resources means one thing and one thing only; hundreds of our members face the threat of redundancy.

“We will not accept that, so the campaign to halt these cuts must now start.

“Our police officers need to be out there in our communities keeping us all safe.

“The public expect police officers to be visible, and not performing roles behind the scenes.

“Anyone who thinks they can increase their numbers by thousands whilst throwing those who support that policing structure onto the dole queue is fooling no one.

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<sup>i</sup> <https://www.yorkshirepost.co.uk/news/crime/west-yorkshire-police-facing-financial-crisis-deficit-ps40m-leaked-email-staff-reveals-2910720>