



## Much loved Nottingham care home forced into closure; GMB slams owners as “reckless”.

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The GMB Union have today called for clarity from Chengun Care Homes, the Nottingham based company that has announced the closure of St Augustines Court Care Home in St Anns.

The closure puts over all the high skilled care staff out of work for Christmas in the city, as well as putting residents and families in an impossible position in the middle of a second lock down.

### **GMB's Mick Coppin said:**

“The owners of Chengun Care Homes need to provide urgent clarity on the future of jobs and resident places at St Augustine’s. This reckless course of action of is baffling, blaming care staff and the regularity bodies for the owner's own failure.

This is a home that has provided care in the heart of the community for years and this closure is devastating for the community and unpopular with local people.

We’re urging Chengun Care Homes to get around the table and offer clarity, proper consultation and support to those highly skilled care workers forcibly losing their jobs. Our members are the best, most caring and dedicated staff anywhere and don't deserve this”.

**Nadia Whittome MP, Labour's MP for Nottingham East and former care worker herself said:**

“Nottingham’s care workers haven’t rested during this crisis, caring for the most vulnerable in our city with compassion, professionalism and dedication. The closure of this home will be a loss to the community in St Ann’s and I urge the care provider to look again at the plans for closure”.

