GMB, the union for outsourced public sector workers, today descends on the Weybridge HQ of global outsourcing giant ISS to demand pay justice.

Contract workers in the NHS, schools and local government will demand compensation for a pay fiasco that left workers without pay for weeks.

Today’s protest is taking place this morning at:

ISS UK Limited
Head Office
Velocity 1, Brooklands
Brooklands Drive
Weybridge
Surrey
KT13 0SL

GMB is calling on the company to compensate workers with £200 and a week’s pay – and to commit to match public sector terms and conditions for outsourced workers, who are not currently covered by national pay arrangements – including sick pay from day one.

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The union said no one employed by ISS in the public sector should be paid less than colleagues directly employed in the NHS or in local government or schools.

GMB’s demands are outlined in a letter to ISS Employee Relations Director Paul Cronin.

Kevin Brandstatter, GMB National Officer said:
"GMB members working for ISS are paid poverty wages - and are denied sick pay when they fall ill. By contrast ISS managers are paid very well, and also get sick pay from the first day of absence.

“Earlier this year GMB had to provide food banks for our members who could not afford to feed themselves and their families, when ISS changed the way it paid staff. Many GMB members are still out of pocket as a result.

“ISS must raise the pay of GMB members in the public services, and do it soon, or GMB members will start campaigns of industrial action to win these demands.

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