



## Last ditch talks to avoid Wilko 'crippling' strike

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GMB is staging last ditch talks with Wilko management today [October 8, 2019] in a bid to avoid 'crippling' strikes.

Around 1,800 GMB members at two Wilko distribution centres – in Magor, Wales and Worksop, Nottinghamshire – were due to walk out on October 11, 14, 21 and 22 over forced weekend working.

The industrial action was expected to cripple Wilko deliveries to stores across the UK.

Last minute talks at Wilko headquarters in Worksop - which conciliation service ACAS will attend – aim to prevent the strikes.

**“ Wilko workers to strike over 'brutal' weekend rota**  
<https://t.co/ev5v3edVLv>

— **BBC News England (@BBCEngland) September 4, 2019**

**Gary Carter, GMB National Officer, said:**

“We dearly hope we come away from these talks with a deal fit to put to our members.

“None of them want to take industrial action, but they’ve been backed into a corner by a contract that will impose on their family time and wellbeing.

“We hope Wilko management are coming to the table with a genuine spirit of



compromise and concern for how strongly their staff feel.”

