GMB London Region Young Workers

Young people disproportionately work in insecure sectors such as hospitality and the gig economy. On top of lower salaries, they often endure insecurity and unsocial hours to keep these industries going, which is so essential to local communities and the national economy.

In a recent survey of GMB London Young Workers:

- 54% of felt that their pay was not fair and relative to similar roles and individuals performing their role.
- A staggering 99% are worried about the cost-of-living crisis.

It is deeply unfair than any worker should be paid less than they can reasonable live on. It is completely unacceptable that young workers are often paid even less than that.

GMB London Young Workers believe that all young people deserve dignity in and reward for their work, as much as older people do. We are therefore calling for:

- All employers to pay a genuine Living Wage currently £11.95/hour in London
- Young workers to be treated and paid equally
- The Government to legislate for a universal, genuine Living Wage

Earlier this year, we put forward a motion at TUC Young Workers Conference, which unanimously backed our campaign. Going forwards, GMB London Young Workers will be:

- Organising 'Nights of Action' on the streets of London, calling for employers to pay all workers a real Living Wage, and raising awareness of the cost-of-living crisis facing young people.
- Holding an event in Parliament to raise awareness of the growing pressures facing young workers across London region.
- Lobbying MPs across London region to pressure the Government to commit to a real Living Wage.
- Writing to local councillors to demand that our local authorities are certified Living Wage employers.

You can support our campaign by:

- Joining our 'Nights of Action'
- Attending our event in Parliament
- Signing our petition
- Writing to your MP and local councillors
- Share the message online #DemandFairPay
- If you're not already a member, join the GMB and become active e.g., in your branch, or a workplace rep