

GMB NEWSLETTER.

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GMB general secretary election.

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Living Wage.

GMB is working with employers in public and private sectors to provide enough hours of work and high enough wages to enable their employees to live free of in-work benefits.

Out of the 400 councils in England and Wales there are now 110 committed to pay their staff a living wage (£7.65 or £8.80 in London).

For a full list of councils currently paying the living wage see www.gmb.org.uk and follow the link.

GMB National Secretary & Treasurer elections.

Following the announcement by our General secretary & treasurer Paul Kenny of his retirement in 2016, GMB are looking to elect one of two running candidates:

Paul Mc Carthy & Tim Roache.

Cambridge GMB branch are holding a Hustings at Chesterton Community College, Gilbert Rd, Cambridge, 18:00 -20:00 (Election statements followed by questions and answers) members only to show cards on entry.

Cambridge City Council.

Refuse as part of the shared waste service with SCDC are due to move from Mill Road on 9th November.

Building control, Legal

commenced shared services between Huntingdon DC, South Cambs DC & Cambridge City Council on 1st October with Cambridge taking the lead.

ICT services under shared services as above moved to Huntingdon DC as of 1st October.

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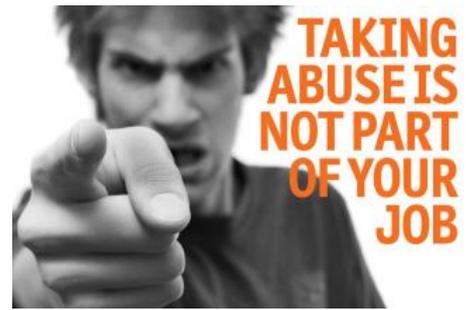
Cambridge City Council.

Stores and Garage Reports going to scrutiny committee for member's approval to move forward on 12th October.

Tourism proposals to set up a DMO destination management organization to work with Businesses, hoteliers and other local authorities to try and attract tourists to stay longer in Cambridge and boost the local economy.

Streets & Open spaces currently undertaking an operational review.

Accommodation Strategy are looking at options for phase two of the relocation of services currently undertaken from Mill Road and Hobson House.



Trade Union Bill.

The proposed trade union bill involves many changes to the way unions operate and will mean changes to the way membership contributions are paid as well as new rules for industrial action, ballots etc.

GMB are well organized to deal with these proposals and further information will be provided if the bill is approved, full information can be found at www.parliament.uk following headers for bills & legislation.

Schools & Academies.

We are currently visiting as many schools as is possible at the moment to talk about the living wage and pick up any members issues or questions. If you would like us to visit your school please contact Kevin or Lee on 01223 458208.

Over 610,000 working people in the UK have decided to join GMB. 40,000 of them in the last three years alone. GMB is Britain's quickest growing trade union. GMB is a campaigning trade union. Its job is to get the best deal for GMB members at work and is committed to building a strong organization in every GMB workplace an so help make every workplace safer. Whoever you are, wherever you work: joining GMB is the right decision.

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