

**UNISON**

North West

**IN IT TO WIN IT**

June 2023 Edition



## Council and School Workers Strike Ballot



School and council workers can vote now on whether to strike over pay. UNISON leaders have recommended should reject the inadequate pay offer and vote to strike. After 13 years of falling wages, VOTE YES to get the pay you deserve.

The ballot hotline is open. Call 0800 0 857 857 if you have not received your ballot.

**HAPPY**  
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*Pride*  
+  
**MONTH**

## AND MORE!

- After a campaign by UNISON members, The Christie NHS Trust will be withdrawing its staff mandatory flu vaccination policy.
- Knowsley UNISON members have won a fantastic pay deal in Career Connect. The deal is a £1200 pay-rise plus a £800 one-off lump sum.
- Bolton UNISON have won £300,000 in back pay for their members!

## Healthcare Workers Fair Pay Fight



70 Healthcare Support Workers at Warrington and Halton NHS Trust presented a grievance signed by 300 workers to their board. Meanwhile, 60 workers marched on their board meeting at Wirral Hospitals Trust to find their board had disappeared! Both sets of workers are asking for back pay and re-banding after years of underpayment.

42 UNISON North West members were trained as stewards this month!

# MEMBER OF THE MONTH

## Andrea Egan

Andrea is UNISON President 2022-2023 and branch secretary of Bolton UNISON branch. A proud working-class woman from Bolton and lifelong UNISON Member, Andrea has used the platform given to her by UNISON to fight against inequality and unfairness. As her presidential project, Andrea has chosen the Endeavour Project in Bolton, which supports survivors of domestic abuse.



### ANDREA SAYS...

"I am so proud to have served as UNISON President for 22-23. It's given me so many opportunities to get out around the UK, to be able to talk to members, but also to be able to stand with other workers in struggle."

"We are the working class, and we will always be in the struggle but we can never stand still. In UNISON every member has a part to play. What's your role?"

### GET MORE INVOLVED

UNISON North West can only win with active members on the ground identifying issues and campaigning to win.

Could you be a workplace contact? Register your interest by visiting the link below.



UNISON members in universities will be out on strike this month. See the dates below and check out UNISON North West's social media for picket line details.

MMU -21st, 26th -27th June.

Liverpool Hope and University of Liverpool - 22nd, 23rd and 24th June.

[unisonnw.org/getinvolved](https://unisonnw.org/getinvolved)



# 5 REASONS

UNISON

## WHY YOU SHOULD JOIN A UNION

**1**

**EARN MORE** - On average, trade union members earn more and get better holiday and sick pay.

**2**

**STRONG UNIONS KEEP WORKERS SAFE**- You are 50% less likely to have an accident in a unionised workplace.

**3**

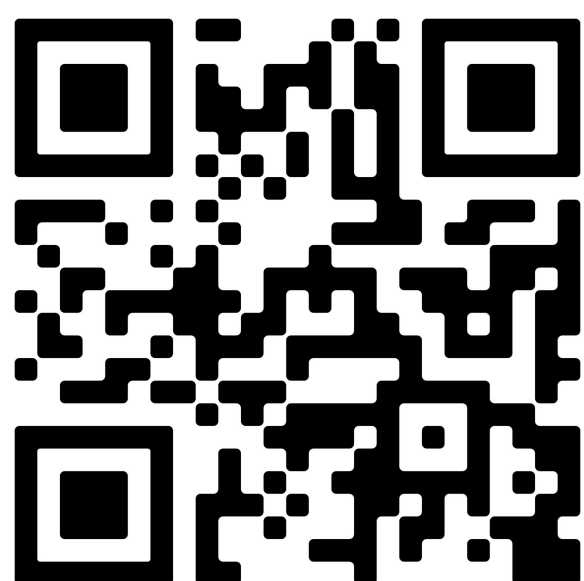
**BETTER JOB SECURITY**- Union members have more secure employment than non-union workers.

**4**

**INCLUSIVITY**- Strong unions make workplaces more inclusive of disabled, Black, LGBT+ and women workers.

**5**

**ADVICE AND REPRESENTATION**- Union members are never alone.



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[join.unison.co.uk](https://join.unison.co.uk)

# 5 REASONS

# TO JOIN UNISON

**1**

UNISON is the largest union in public services - Being in UNISON means that your voice gets heard on issues that matter to you at work.

**2**

UNISON can provide career development opportunities through member learning.

**3**

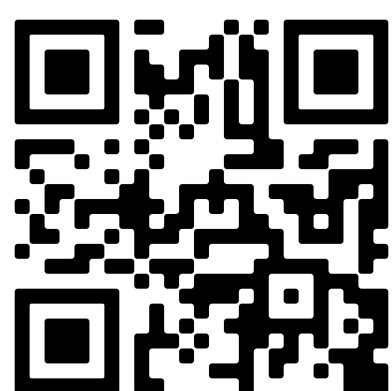
UNISON members win big in the North West - UNISON NW members have won campaigns for pay and more.

**4**

UNISON has more reps than any other union - You are more likely to have support in your workplace or be able to stand up and represent your colleagues.

**5**

UNISON provides legal and welfare services for members who need them.



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