



# Bakerloo news



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Next strikes set for 25-26 and 27-28 August

# We are in this fight to win!



RMT General Secretary Mick Cash (third from left) joins RMT, TSSA, and Aslef members on the Queen's Park picket line on 6 August.

Along with our sister unions TSSA and Unite, RMT has called further strikes for 25-26 and 27-28 August.

At the time *Bakerloo News* went to press, our other sister union Aslef had not indicated whether or not it would join these strikes.

Your union took the decision to escalate beyond 24-hour strikes as management's continued intransigence shows that increased pressure is necessary. Splitting the strikes across two 24-hour periods ensures the maximum impact.

Management has offered no

significant concessions on any of our key demands: increased staffing levels, guarantees to protect work/life balance, workable rosters with no imposed increases in weekend or night working, and more.

Our strikes are not mere protests, we are fighting to win. Until management make real concessions on these issues, our strikes will continue.

Have your say on how the dispute is conducted by getting involved in your union. The RMT Bakerloo branch next meets on Tuesday 1 September.

## STRIKE DETAILS

T/Ops: do not book on for shifts starting between 21.00 on Tuesday 25 August and 20.59 on Wednesday 26 August, and again between 21.00 on Thursday 27 August and 20.59 on Friday 28 August.

All other grades: do not book on for shifts starting between 18.30 on Tuesday 25 August and 18.29 on Wednesday 26 August, and again between 18.30 on Thursday 27 August and 18.29 on Friday 28 August.



**ALL GRADES: DO NOT WORK OVERTIME UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE!**

# Their pay and ours...



Why is workers' pay always compared to that of other workers, rather than fat cat bosses?

Whenever we strike, our salaries are splashed all over the media, even when the strikes are not principally about pay.

Our wages are compared to lower-paid workers such as nurses or shop workers - but is that the right comparison? Rather than comparing workers' wages to each other, with the implication that the wages of the relatively well-paid should come down, shouldn't we be arguing for a levelling up? Don't all

workers deserve the pay and conditions we've got?

And why are workers' wages so rarely compared to those of our bosses? The really scandalous differential is the yawning gap in every industry between frontline staff and senior managers.

LU has bundled our pay settlement into the current negotiations; RMT is demanding a flat-rate pay increase in line with increases in the cost of living.

And if LU wants to save some money so it can hire more frontline staff, why not trim at the top?

**We're fairly sure Messrs. Brown, Brown, and Griffiths could make do with a little less.**

**Interserve cleaners: short-payment epidemic continues**  
Interserve's short-payment of cleaners has now become so routine that being paid in full is now the exception rather than the rule.

RMT will not tolerate this flagrant abuse of our members. We are planning to step up our campaign against Interserve to demand the short-payment epidemic ends.

**Cleaners should email [bakerlooline@rmt.org.uk](mailto:bakerlooline@rmt.org.uk) for more info.**



The red flag flies over Oxo during our 5-6 August strike!

## What we're fighting for

- A collectively-negotiated agreement on Night Tube
- A shorter working week: more time off to compensate for increased night working
- No job cuts: increase staffing levels
- A pay settlement that reflects increases in the cost of living
- Defence of our terms and conditions - no to attacks on the Stations Framework Agreement and the Professional Train Operators' Agreement

### Resist the anti-union laws

RMT Bakerloo supports the Right To Strike network, campaigning against new anti-union laws. RMT is also affiliated to the national Campaign for Trade Union Freedom.



[righttostrike.co.uk](http://righttostrike.co.uk)  
[tradeunionfreedom.co.uk](http://tradeunionfreedom.co.uk)

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**GET ACTIVE IN YOUR BRANCH!**



The RMT Bakerloo branch meets on **the first Tuesday of every month, at 16:00.**

Branch meetings are open to every union member, and are your opportunity to have your say about how we should campaign to win on the issues that affect us at work and in society.

Any branch member can propose a resolution, which will be discussed and voted on.

For more info on how branch meetings work, and how you can get involved, speak to your local rep.

**WE HAVE MOVED**

Please note new branch venue: The Royal Exchange, Sale Place, W2 1PU (nearest Tube: Edgware Road)

**Jeremy Corbyn for Labour Leader**



RMT is backing socialist MP Jeremy Corbyn in the Labour leadership contest.

Although RMT is not affiliated to the Labour Party, Labour is still linked to many trade unions; who leads it is therefore a matter of importance for working-class people.

Jeremy is a member of RMT's Parliamentary Group and the only candidate to promote trade-union politics and working-class interests.

For more, see [jeremyforlabour.com](http://jeremyforlabour.com)