

# RMT up front

National Union of Rail, Maritime & Transport Workers

**“ After months of hard work by our negotiators we have been able to come to an agreement that both protects the contractual rights and existing agreements of our members and rewards them in recognition of what we all know will be the biggest transport challenge ever faced by this city. ”**

**Bob Crow, RMT General Secretary**

**Following the RMT / LU Olympics agreement it has been claimed that the RMT**

**has been misinforming our members.**

A certain organisation is obviously rattled by our agreement and is attempting to muddy the waters. A letter has been sent from Gerry Duffy to Bob Crow; this letter gets some issues confused and claims that the payments under the RMT / LU deal are conditional on framework breaches. Strangely, this letter to the RMT has been made available to ASLEF and is being put on their notice-boards.

**The RMT / LU deal is not conditional on any breaches of the framework agreements.** Put simply the agreement signed off between RMT and London Underground is that the union and the company will work together to provide a successful Olympics; drivers will get up to a £1000 payment. There is no agreement with the RMT to breach any frameworks, but if there are issues of coverage this will be dealt with by the level 1 committees.

A full response to Mr Duffy's letter will be forthcoming from RMT Head Office shortly. **You can see from the full wording of the agreement reached between LU and RMT that the letter sent from Gerry Duffy has no bearing on reality whatsoever.** The RMT held out for a principled settlement. The ASLEF sold out the frameworks for £90 after tax. No wonder they are rattled.

## **The RMT / LU agreement**

For the period of the Olympics and Paralympics, London Underground and RMT are prepared to work in cooperation to ensure that the Olympics are successful and to demonstrate to the world a successful model of public sector service. London Underground will attempt to staff all relevant Olympic duties on a voluntary basis. In the unlikely event that any of these duties remain uncovered, level 1 committees, where they operate, or their equivalent (but where not, functional councils) will as a matter of urgency, address these issues in order to resolve them satisfactorily.

Both parties confirm there are no remaining issues relating to Olympics reward and recognition between them.

In conclusion, LU has now reached agreement, or agreement in principle, with ASLEF, RMT, TSSA and Unite, and will honour the commitments within them.”

### **ANNEXURE 1**

1. Where an employee falls within any of the groups set out in Appendix 1, the employee will be entitled to the corresponding payment referred to in the Appendix;

2. All London Underground employees (excluding Business Managers (Band 4) and above) shall be eligible to receive:-

a. A CSS bonus payment of £100, subject to London Underground meeting a CSS target of 78 for the relevant period;

b. A CSS attendance payment of £20 for each shift worked during the period of the Olympic and Paralympic Games (between 27 July and 12 August and 29 August and 9 September respectively);

In applying the above, LU will abide by commitments entered into with all recognised trade unions.

