



Barnet UNISON Care Workers deserve the London Living Wage

Council Committee Discussing London Living Wage for Careworkers Postponed

Due to the General Election being on 12th December the Committee which was to discuss a report about Barnet Group care workers receiving the London Living Wage is now postponed from 10th December to **6th January**.

London Living Wage is set to rise to £10.75/ hr next year!

Please tell everyone about the change in date. Let's call for a Happy New Year for all our Barnet Care Workers!

Everyone to Hendon Town Hall Monday 6th January 2020 6.30pm "Caring for vulnerable people is a skilled job and should be recognised as such. There is no way care workers should be paid less than shelf stackers and cleaners. No one deserves less than the London Living Wage. We expect The Barnet Group and Barnet Council to pay this as an absolute minimum." Helen Davies, Chair, Barnet UNISON.

"Barnet Group cannot be allowed to continue paying below the London Living Wage to these care workers, some of whom were council staff before they were "outsourced" to Fremantle, who attacked their pay and Terms and Conditions remorselessly. The Barnet Group is solely owned by Barnet Council and should fulfil the Councils commitment to the London Living Wage." Patrick Hunter Barnet UNISON Convenor for Barnet Homes.

"Everyone agrees that care workers are undervalued, overworked and underpaid. In Barnet we have had an agreement for several years that no staff would earn less than the London Living Wage (LLW) and in the event staff were outsourced the contractor must make the same commitment that no staff working on a Barnet contract must earn less than the LLW. Earlier this year Barnet Council honoured this agreement by ensuring contracted out cleaners were on the LLW. I am calling on Barnet Council and The Barnet Group (TBG) to 'do the right thing' and announce that all care workers working for TBG are upgraded to at least the LLW." John Burgess, Branch Secretary, Barnet UNISON.

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