

Press Release

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Yeovil Labour Party supports trade unions on public sector pay.

On the 16th and 17th July the Yeovil Labour parliamentary candidate, Paul Smith, met with striking workers on the picket line at the council offices on Brympton Way, Yeovil. The public sector workers across Somerset went on a two day strike in protest over the disputed 2.5% suggested pay rise.

The Yeovil Constituency Labour Party supports the striking UNISON workers in their fight to maintain their living standards. The local party rejects the idea that public sector wages are responsible for the current inflationary pressures.

Paul Smith, the Yeovil Labour Party candidate commented *"The time has now come to address the increasing chasm between rich and poor. This won't be achieved by the government forcing an unfair pay deal on public sector workers. It is time for this government to correct the mistakes of the last decade and finally give the public sector workers the pay offer they deserve"*.

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