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# PCS members to strike at Care Quality Commission

Civil servants to take action for three days as CQC fails to pay £1,500 cost-of-living sum

Public and Commercial Services (PCS) union members are to strike for three days at the Care Quality Commission.

More than 90 members employed by the health and adult social care regulator will take action on July 26, 27 and 28 after the organisation refused to pay the government-recommended one-off cost-of-living crisis payment of £1,500.

PCS members at the British Museum [last week announced strike action for the same reason](#), but [suspended it after the employer agreed to pay the £1,500](#). =

The PCS national executive committee is pursuing targeted action where an employer does not commit to the £1,500 payment.

**PCS general secretary Mark Serwotka** said: “As last week’s victory at the British Museum showed, our members are determined to fight for the money they were promised by the government.

“Our members at the CQC are already feeling the cost-of-living crisis acutely, following years of wage stagnation. Their monthly energy bills have doubled since the start of April 2022 and 43.5% of members working there told us they had had to use credit cards / loans to pay for necessities and take on a second job just to survive.

“They can’t afford not to receive this money and will take strike action to ensure they do.”