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Care Quality Commission strike suspended after managers agree to pay PCS members £1.5k lump sum

CQC bosses initially refused to pay the cost-of-living award

Public and Commercial Services (PCS) union members working at the Care Quality Commission have suspended strike action after managers agreed to award them a £1,500 cost-of-living crisis payment.

More than 90 members employed by the health and adult social care regulator voted to take action on July 26, 27 and 28 after the organisation refused to pay the government-recommended sum.

But following the threat of action, management agreed to pay the £1,500.

PCS general secretary Mark Serwotka said: “Once again, the strength of PCS members in the workplace has delivered a victory.

“There is still a long way to go on other issues of our national dispute, but we have won this battle on our way to winning the war.”

The PCS general secretary [has today written to Cabinet Office Minister Jeremy Quin](#) urging him to ensure the £1,500 is paid in full to all members and is excluded from Universal Credit surplus payment deductions and additional tax.

The union recently won a [similar campaign at the British Museum](#).