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# PCS Campaign update: talks with the Cabinet Office on pay and jobs

Our successful campaign of industrial action won an increased pay remit, £1500 cost-of-living payment and guarantees on redundancy terms. It also forced the Cabinet Office into a series of talks with PCS on pay and staffing.

Our meetings with the Cabinet Office scheduled for November are to address low pay, discuss collective bargaining in the UK civil service and to talk about job security. PCS policy is for a collective bargaining agreement with one set of pay negotiations across the whole UK civil service, rather than each department having its own.

We are having urgent talks with the Cabinet Office on jobs following the chancellor's announcement at the Tory party conference to cut civil service numbers to "pre-pandemic levels," and also a recently announced initiative to increase the number of staff going into workplaces.

The December meeting of the national executive committee (NEC) will receive a report on the talks and, if insufficient progress has been made, it will consider a new ballot for industrial action.

[We also now have a date in February for our case on pensions](#) to be heard at the Court of Appeal. Our legal advice is that we have a strong case.

If we need to ballot again for industrial action, it is vital that members' details are up to date. Please [log in to PCS Digital](#) and check your details including your postal address, workplace and job title.