DVLA workers announce new sixday strike

More than 650 PCS members working for the Driver and Vehicle Licensing Agency (DVLA)'s medical team have announced six further days' strike action.

The workers, who assess people's ability to drive before granting them a driving licence, will take action in Birmingham and Swansea from February 20 to 25.

The strike is part of the union's national dispute over pay, pensions, redundancy terms and job security, and follows <u>five days' action from February 13 - 17 by PCS</u> members working in offices at Ty Felin and Morriston in Swansea.

It comes a week <u>after 100,000 PCS members in 123 government departments</u> took strike action and a month after DVLA workers took five days' strike action.

PCS general secretary Mark Serwotka said: "PCS members took well-supported strike action a month ago at DVLA, but nothing has changed since.

"Ministers have refused to put any money on the table and until they do, we will continue to escalate our action in more and more government departments.

"Our members, who have been offered just a 2% pay rise at a time when inflation is around 10%, have had enough of being taken for granted by a government that could stop this dispute tomorrow if it wanted."