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The latest news and announcements from Derbyshire UNISON

Employment tribunal fees consultation

Tribunal fees deny the poorest and most vulnerable access to justice



Unfair tribunal fees plan shows government is out of ideas

UNISON overturned the government's introduction of tribunal fees in 2017 as unlawful. Now, they're trying to bring them back.

Commenting on the launch of a government consultation into tribunal fees, UNISON general secretary Christina McAnea said:

"The government should be tackling the real issues the country faces, not trying to pick another fight with working people.

"The fact that ministers want to reheat a failed and illegal policy shows that this is a government that ran out of ideas some time ago and needs to step aside. "Tribunal fees denied the poorest and most vulnerable access to justice. The only people who would benefit from their reintroduction are unscrupulous bosses.

"When UNISON forced the fees to be scrapped in 2017, the UK Supreme Court said the government had acted unlawfully and unconstitutionally. Nothing has changed. Tribunal fees were unfair then and they are still unfair today."

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