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## Government attacks on trade unions

Right to strike is fundamental for workers



## Government should focus on cost of living crisis rather than attacking unions

**Responding to comments by transport secretary Grant Shapps indicating the government wants to make it harder for workers to strike, general secretary Christina McAnea said:**

“For ministers to be focusing on undermining the fundamental rights of workers rather than tackling the cost of living crisis speaks volumes. They’re only interested in finding scapegoats for their own economic failures.

“The right to strike is a vital line of defence to protect jobs, pay and services. The effect of removing it will be to drive down wages even further, make millions more struggle to pay their bills and push them into poverty.

“For all the sloganeering about levelling up, it’s clear this government doesn’t want workers to be paid fairly and wants to trash living standards.”

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