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Logan City Council Members To Strike! Tuesday, 5 June 2018

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Employees at Logan City Council have voted to take Protected Industrial Action (PIA) next Tuesday, 5 June 2018 in support of a fair and equitable wage outcome.

This decision comes as a result of Council management refusing – after 12 months of negotiations - to abandon their sub-standard pay offer.

To make matters worse, Council proposes to give administrative workers on lower classifications – primarily women – an even lower increase.

The Council's current offer would see some staff receive a 2.25 per cent increase annually, but those on administrative levels 1 – 3, mainly women would receive only 1 per cent per year plus an annual \$550 lump sum. The Council wants this arrangement in for four years.

The Services Union is seeking a three-year agreement with the same increase for everyone.

Logan City Council employees have been without an increase to real wages since January 2014!

In that time, the Mayor and Councillors have all been in receipt of the annually gazetted wage increases and (according to the CCC other valuable benefits) which have been over the rate of the CPI (currently at 1.9 per cent).

Secretary of The Services Union, Neil Henderson said members feel that the wage offer is offensive.

"We want to close the gender pay gap not turn it into a chasm," Mr Henderson said.

"Our members deserve a decent pay rise. They have been flat out delivering great service to the ratepayers while the Council has been drifting along through one controversy after another." Mr Henderson said.

Members of The Services Union will join the Transport Workers' Union and the Plumbers' Union for a stop-work meeting and rally outside Council Chambers at 9am on Tuesday, 5 June, which coincidentally is the day of the next Council sitting.

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