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At a meeting of BMBC Home Carers organised by the GMB Trade Union held on Wednesday in Barnsley Library it was unanimously agreed to fight any compulsory redundancies.

GMB Home Carers will ballot for strike action if any compulsory redundancies are made to any member who is unsuccessful in getting one of the jobs which are due to become available in the new HART project.

Although some will want to go after many years of dedicated service it was agreed by the 30 members present to fight in defence of any members who are forced out.

The meeting also pledged to oppose any worsening of terms and conditions in the new set up particularly the expectation of being available for work from 6am - 11pm

GMB Barnsley Branch Secretary Henry Rajch said "This really shows the strength of feeling among a group of workers who care very much for those they look after but with the real possibility of Home Carers being sacked by the Council there is no alternative but to fight"

Henry Rajch GMB
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