

# Good Employment News



Your weekly update of the key topics making the headlines.

Based around the seven characteristics of the Good Employment Charter

## 27 – 31 MARCH 2023

### SECURE WORK

#### [Amazon loses bid to throw out case by UK drivers seeking worker rights - Reuters](#)

Reuters

More than 1,400 drivers who deliver Amazon parcels are suing in a London employment tribunal, arguing they should be classed as employees rather ...

### FLEXIBLE WORK

#### [Improving flexible working in the NHS - The BMJ](#)

The BMJ

Increasing the flexibility on offer has helped Health Education England increase GP training numbers in England, Gregory said, because this was what ...

#### [Linklaters introduces new flexible bank holiday scheme | News | About Us](#)

Linklaters

Linklaters is introducing a new scheme to offer its people in the UK more ... "We know that flexibility and agility at work is important to our ...

#### [Bectu Vision teams up with Timewise to tackle long hours in film and tv](#)

Bectu

Flexible working identified as a key part of addressing the talent ... Next steps involve surveying scripted crew across the UK to assess the ...

### PAY

#### [Amazon increases pay for UK operations staff - Employee Benefits](#)

Employee Benefits

The minimum starting pay for UK hourly paid Amazon workers will be ... the real living wage, which is £10.90 across the UK and £11.95 in London.

#### [Low Pay Commission consultation 2023 - GOV.UK](#)

GOV.UK

The Low Pay Commission is seeking evidence to inform recommendations on minimum wage rates in 2024 and beyond.

#### [Government drive to help workers on Universal Credit boost prospects - GOV.UK](#)

GOV.UK

Over 1.2 million low-income earners on Universal Credit can now tap into ... Universal Credit claimants are securing job promotions and better pay ...

## [Two-thirds of workers in the \*\*North West\*\* stressed over cost of living - Marketing Stockport](#)

Marketing Stockport

... two in three workers in North West England (65%) feel stressed due to ... "North West employers that support their employee's mental health at ...

## **RECRUITMENT**

### [Balfour Beatty chief pledges support for apprenticeships - Construction \*\*Management\*\*](#)

Construction Management Magazine

The 5% Club is now a registered charity, with over 800 members across different sectors who collectively employ over 1.6 million people in the UK.

### [Amazon and Barnardo's launch ground-breaking programme to help young people into \*\*work\*\*](#)

About Amazon UK

Amazon and Barnardo's have launched their JOBS (Journey of Becoming ... develop the skills needed to secure work and develop their careers.

### [Career change support service launched as three quarters of \*\*UK workers\*\* consider a change](#)

FE News

The campaign will highlight the benefits of accessing Working Wales's expert, free and impartial careers guidance, to help with the complexities and ...

## **PEOPLE MANAGEMENT**

### [Putting \*\*people\*\* professionals on the road to net zero - CIPD](#)

CIPD

While the report is written through a northeast Scotland offshore energy lens, its recommendations are transferable UK-wide and even beyond. The ...

### [Ikea told to tackle sexual harassment after \*\*UK\*\* complaint - BBC News](#)

BBC

Darren Taylor, country people and culture manager at Ikea UK & Ireland, said the company had "robust policies and procedures in place" to protect ...

### [Accenture axes \*\*UK jobs\*\* in cull of 19000 staff - Daily Business](#)

Daily Business

Others like EY are trimming their hiring targets. An Accenture spokesperson said: "While we continue to hire, especially to support our strategic ...

## **HEALTH AND WELLBEING**

### [Two-thirds of \*\*UK\*\* workers with long Covid have faced unfair treatment, says report](#)

The Guardian

The report argues that such adjustments might include flexible working, disability leave and a phased return to the workplace.

### ['I've been spat at': half of \*\*UK\*\* theatre \*\*staff\*\* consider quitting over audience behaviour](#)

The Guardian

Bectu is launching a Safer Theatres Charter in the UK, demanding theatre management companies do more "to provide a safe environment for audiences ...

## GENERAL

### Social value is business opportunity says Salford

Salford City Council

... said there were huge opportunities for Salford or Greater Manchester based ... Councillor Youd said payment of the Real Living Wage – a rate ...

## ABOUT THE GREATER MANCHESTER GOOD EMPLOYMENT CHARTER

The Greater Manchester Good Employment Charter is a voluntary membership and assessment scheme which has been created to improve employment standards across all GM employers, regardless of size, sector or geography. Organisations within the private, public and third sectors are welcome to [join the movement](#).

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