

Central Line East

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Covid in the Workplace

London Underground has adopted a COVID-19 Safe working practice. Employees should socially distance where possible.

Engineers Works

Management tried to force our Train Operators to use public transport with the general public making the 2 metre requirement almost impossible. The Union is working hard to create a safe environment for our members, however those negotiations may fail and members are reminded that when you feel that you are not safe you have the right to refuse to work on safety grounds :

[Click here to see Section 44 Employments Rights Act 1996.](#)

[Click here to see LULs Refusal to Work Policy.](#)

Stations & Covid

Our Members on stations are experiencing issues where they can't adequately socially distance in their messrooms, members are reminded to keep the 2 meter rule in the workplace and always wear your face coverings when dealing with the customers .

Furthermore your representatives are asking management for information on risk factors for those that test positive. These risk factors are gender, age, underlying health conditions and ethnicity.

We will report back to our members when we have correlated this information.

Pensions Under Attack:

At a time when tube workers have been working hard to keep the tube running during this unprecedented Covid-19 Pandemic, our London underground employee pension scheme is coming under attack.

The RMT will fight any and all attacks upon our pensions.

"The Independent Review states that the TfL Pension Fund is expensive outdated and must be reformed. While its important to note that no firm proposals are yet to be made the Review recommends that considerations should be given to closing the scheme to new entrants, changing the way member's pensions are calculated from Final Salary to a Career Average Revalued Earnings (CARE) and also changing the indexation method from RPI to CPI.

A recent case study found that an employee around 25 years old would expect to receive a £30000 year pension at 65 with a contribution of £2880 annually. The same annuity purchased privately would incur a cost of £9000

The RMT will not allow any changes that would increase the burden on our members .

A pension scheme needs new members to keep the fund healthy, therefore all new LUL recruits must have access to the pension scheme or we will see a black hole in the years to come.

All members of the RMT need to prepare for any assault on our conditions, put away some money, prepare to fight, fight, fight,

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Branch Meetings to take place on the 2nd Thursday of the Month at 1700. Contact your local Representative for details.