



## Bakerloo Special: Drivers Call Four Days of Strike Action



### The Timetable that Bakerloo Line drivers have been running since May 2019 is a total disaster.

Stick to stick for long periods then massive gaps all over the place. It has made driving on the Bakerloo unbearable. As a result, the RMT balloted our members to try to improve our working conditions. With a massive turnout we returned a massive YES vote for strike action.

We smashed the hard right Tory government's anti trade union laws.

As a result of this ballot, LU agreed to meet your reps at ACAS in an attempt to avert industrial action. Initially, LU appeared to be taking our concerns seriously. However, a

month after we first met with LU, we are no further forward.

Yes they have agreed to abide by their own agreements regarding compulsory overtime. Unfortunately, the hard document we requested outlining this commitment is yet to materialise. Yes they have agreed to a review of all safety related incidents since the new timetable was introduced, but they continue to argue about what reps can attend this review. Yes

they have agreed to meetings with train's reps and service control to try to repair our working relationship that has suffered as a result of this timetable. They want these meetings to start in late March!

Most importantly, LU have offered nothing to improve our daily working regime. The new timetable being brought forward to March this year is no more than a re-hash of our duty schedules. The main problem, according to anyone who knows anything about timetables, is the turnaround times at Queen's Park North Sheds. These are marginally better, but not by much. If we accept this as a settlement to our dispute we'd be working this till May 2021. This is unacceptable to the RMT.

Therefore we have been forced to inform LU that we will be taking industrial action. Going on strike is a last resort. We have tried reasoning with them but our arguments have fallen on deaf ears. We do not want our members to lose pay but we cannot sit back and let LU enforce an unacceptable working environment for our members.

### Strike Dates

RMT drivers should not book on for duty between:

- 11.59 Friday 21st of February to 11.59 Saturday 22nd of February.
- 11.59 Sunday 23rd of February to 11.59 Monday 24th of February.