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GMB Teaching Assistants in Durham vote to accept

The North Easts biggest general union has today announced the result of the consultative ballot in relation to a dispute of Teaching Assistants at Durham County Council.

The GMB said that on a turnout of 74.2% GMB members voted by 53.5 % to accept and 46.5 to reject.

The GMB said that in the circumstances the result of the consultative ballot is to accept the councils offer.

GMB Regional Organiser Michael Hopper said:

"Our members have acted with great professionalism and fortitude during what has been a very stressful and difficult process.

As an independent trade union our members involved in the dispute have spoken in a democratically held ballot. That is to accept the offer.

The GMB is now tasked with going into urgent negotiations with Durham County Council and that is now what we will do."

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