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Train cleaning staff strike

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Cleaning staff from GTR, Network Rail, HS1 and South East Trains have returned to picket lines in the last of a three-day strike over pay.

RMT members who are employed by the outsourcing company Churchill are campaigning for improvements in pay, company sick pay and free travel for cleaning staff across the network. The pay rise, RMT said, was to tackle the cost of living crisis.

The RMT union's general secretary, Mick Lynch, said that he believed Churchill could "easily" afford to give the cleaners £15 an hour.