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# CFMEU

WORKER  
EXPRESS

lendlease  
pay up

**STOP EXPLOITATION  
DEFEND OUR WAGES  
AND CONDITIONS**

**MODERN DAY SLAVERY  
ON LEND LEASE JOB**

CFMEU Members rallied at Lend Lease's Docklands office demanding payment for weeks of unpaid labour on their Bendigo Hospital project.

The second rally in as many weeks, workers are angry that Lend Lease has allowed modern day slavery on their site, with workers going unpaid for up to nine weeks.

**Allowing Lend Lease to exploit workers on their sites undermines our hard fought wages and conditions.**

The Lend Lease subcontractor which engaged the workers, Asset Interiors, went into administration, owing workers hundreds of thousands of dollars in wages and entitlements.

The administrator says Lend Lease owe more than \$1.4 million to Asset Interiors.

Dong Lee, one of the workers from the Lend Lease Bendigo Hospital site said at the rally:

*"I'm an Australian citizen and I have been here eight years and I pay tax. I have three kids, a newborn baby, just two weeks old and I have a mortgage. There's no money to feed them. I am owed \$12,000. That's big money. I can't pay my home loan and I might have to sell my house."*

Lend Lease has refused to act on CFMEU concerns, first raised in December 2015.

It's just the latest example of the systematic exploitation of workers on Lend Lease's Bendigo Hospital site and the Turnbull Government and their FWBC have turned a blind eye.

John Setka said, "These workers have nowhere else to go except the union. You won't see FWBC here investigating any of this."

The Lend Lease Bendigo project list of shame includes:

- numerous safety breaches
- visa violations and rorts
- breaches of project agreements
- operation of insolvent companies
- withholding payments to sub-contractors
- withholding wages and entitlements to workers

Meanwhile, the day before the second rally, Prime Minister Turnbull and Workplace Relations Minister Michaelia Cash were sipping lattes with Lend Lease management. You can safely bet workers left unpaid for weeks were not on their agenda.







**OUR WORK AND PRESSURE HAS GOT LEND LEASE ON THE ROPES.**

**THE GOVERNMENT KNOWS: IF YOU USE DODGY BUILDERS, WE WILL COME AFTER YOU.**



**Stephen McCann**

Lend Lease Group

**Salary**

**\$6,189,000**

a one year increase of

**10% ↑**

**That's**

**\$119,019**

**a week!**

**Construction workers paid nothing for two months**

The CFMEU is fully aware that instead of chasing up this outrageous breach of these workers' rights, the Liberal Government's political police force will prosecute the CFMEU for standing up for them.

What this Government doesn't understand, is that this union will never flinch when it comes to fighting for workers safety, rights and entitlements.

**corruption**

**Lend Lease fined millions in US fraud case**



**MAXSTRA IS BACK**

The Liberal Party's FWBC is chasing the CFMEU for supporting contractors who were ripped off and unpaid by Maxtra. Watch A Current Affair reveal just how dodgy this lot are on YouTube: <http://bit.ly/maxtra>



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YOU can help tackle depression and people doing it tough.

Take 15 minutes to fill out an online survey and you will have the opportunity to win one of ten \$300 Coles/Myers or Bunnings vouchers.

By completing the questions you will be automatically entered into the prize draw. Winners will be notified by email.

**HERE'S THE LINK: <http://bit.ly/latrobeuni>**

**EBA NEWS**

EBA negotiations continue and are going well. We appreciate your patience.

The CFMEU Executive is determined to get the best possible outcome for members.

We will not be taking a backwards step. Workers will not be screwed over on our watch.

The MBA, Turnbull Liberal Government and FWBC have formed an alliance in an attempt to railroad negotiations, but they will fail.



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