



RAIL TRAM & BUS UNION

Tram & Bus Division

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ATTENTION ALL MEMBERS

28 June 2019

RTBU TO CLEAR WAY FOR INDUSTRIAL ACTION

The RTBU has decided we should clear the way for you to take industrial action against Yarra Trams if it comes to that.

On Monday we will lodge an application with the Fair Work Commission for a vote of members to approve various kinds of industrial action.

We have not taken this decision lightly. We have been bargaining in good faith with Yarra Trams since March. Unfortunately, due to their uncompromising and heavy-handed tactics we have been forced into making this application.

The union is seeking improved safety measures, better entitlements and a fair and reasonable wage increase. KDR Victoria's profits doubled last year. It's only fair we get to share in profits created by our hard work and increased productivity.

Like all private companies, Yarra Trams wants to increase profits by cutting costs, at the expense of their employees and the public. They want to cut costs by creating a mass part time workforce. They're claiming it's about increasing diversity, but this is obviously a smokescreen for their profit seeking agenda.

If industrial action does need to be taken, we will of course do our best to minimise disruption to the public. We remain totally committed to seeking a fair deal for our members.

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