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AA is hit by strike

All breakdown staff and most of the indoor driving instructors from the Automobile Association yesterday went on strike indefinitely over the promotion of one of their colleagues.

The association has refused to comment on the situation, which came to a head yesterday when the 14 workers involved stopped work.

The employees claim a driving school supervisor who has been appointed deputy manager of the breakdown and driving school divisions has "abused his authority."

They say the management broke its promises about reviewing the situation.

"I refuse to discuss a matter which involves an individual staff member," the association's president, Mr. Phil Taylor, said.

The workers - representing just under a half the total staff of the association - will remain on strike until the committee announces a "satisfactory solution."

No breakdown services will operate during the strike.

Workers plan to meet this afternoon to review the situation.

"Most of us have worked for the association for at least two years," said the strikers' spokesman, Mr. Tommy Singh.

"We are extremely unhappy about the promotion of this man."

"He has been with the association for about nine months."

He said the workers wanted the man removed from the staff altogether.