

Royal Mail is at risk of going bust. Shouldn't it be ...

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The Guardian has [this headline](#) this morning:

Royal Mail bosses threaten to declare insolvency as pay talks near collapse

Talks with union over pay and working practices are on brink of collapse and special administration has been explored



■ Royal Mail is on course to make operating losses of £350m-£400m this year, its parent company has said. Photograph: Rui Vieira/PA

Staggering, isn't it, that something considered a universal public necessity for more than 180 years is now reduced to the risk of insolvency by being privatised.

Could it be that alongside water, electricity, gas, buses, trains and essential telecoms, the mail service needs to be nationalised to guarantee that such basic public services might continue to exist?

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