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What's the right thing to do?

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A busy, well-off man living in the suburbs sometimes asks local people to help him with house and garden tasks like mowing the lawn, weeding the flower beds, washing the car, shopping, cleaning etc. In the summer holidays, he gets young teenagers to help him. In school term-time he asks single mothers, retired people, unemployed people, in fact, anyone who needs the money, to help him. It depends who is available when he needs the help.

He pays the adults £8 per hour. He pays the teenagers £4 per hour. A neighbour was chatting to him one day and found out about this. The neighbour told the man he thought it was wrong; the neighbour thought that anybody who does a job should get paid the same no matter who or how old they are.

What do you think?