



Winter Edition 2018

UNISON

Loughborough

AGM newsletter

The Annual General Meeting will take place on

Thursday 8th March 2018

10.30 - 12.30

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You are entitled to paid time off to attend so please come. Advise your line manager you will be attending. Contact us if they try to say no. Without enough members present your representatives and office holders can't be elected!

Would you like to be involved?

We always welcome new members on the committee and have some vacancies. More information inside or contact us.



or be rewarded?

During March UNISON members can earn a £20 reward voucher if they introduce a colleague to join. It will be paid once the new member has joined. In April the reward will revert to £10.

Photos:

Top: Our UNISON teddy with the two awards we won at the recent regional awards ceremony.



Bottom: Valentine's Day stall at the Village Bar.

7 reasons to UNISON

1. Our trained advisors are there with support, advice and representation when you need it at work.
2. Our team of lawyers are there to back you up. And we offer free initial legal advice on non-work-related issues
3. They'll do their best to get you compensation if you have an accident or injury
4. Our free training courses can help you learn, progress your career and face changes at work
5. You can access financial assistance and debt advisors via our charity There for You, if you find yourself in a tough situation
6. You can call our helpline until midnight. So there's always someone available to talk through your worries
7. There's exclusive member discounts and offers for your whole family

Why not use this to introduce a new member and be rewarded.

Annual General Meeting

We have received some nominations, but you are welcome to submit your own nominations for any of the posts. There is an official form that needs to be filled in. We are particularly keen to get more or new people for those with *

Branch Officer positions:

Branch Chair

Branch Secretary

Treasurer

Education Co-Ordinator*

Lifelong Learning Co-Ordinator*

Equality Officer

Membership Officer

Health and Safety Officer

Communications Officer*

International Officer*

Young Members Officer*

Retired Members Officer

Welfare Officer

Workplace Representatives:

Workplace Steward

Workplace Health and Safety Rep

Workplace Learning Rep

Workplace Contact*

Education co-ordinator

Examples of duties

- To make sure all new stewards and safety representatives receive initial information and guidance about their duties, e.g. stewards' handbook, rulebook, service conditions agreement etc.
- To publicise the range of educational and training opportunities available to members and activists
- To get untrained stewards, safety representatives, and other branch officers onto appropriate training courses
- To co-ordinate and support the work of learning representatives
- To encourage branch members and activists

Workplace Contact

This is a very important role and not at all demanding. We need people who are willing to keep noticeboards up to date in their work area.

Communications Officer

We are keen to communicate with our members via Facebook and other social media. We also want to create a local webpage. If you have an interest in these areas we would love to have you. There is some training available.

International Officer

To seek to develop an international perspective among members, stewards and branch officers e.g. International Days such as International Women's Day.

Young members' officer

An ideal introduction to union work as you will be assisted by branch officers. You must be under 27yrs for your whole term of office.

More reasons to come!

A prize draw for all who attend

1st Prize 4 tickets to Aviva Premiership game 2017/2018 season

2nd Prize bottle of Moët Champagne

3rd Prize £10 voucher

A speaker from UNISON Regional Welfare

Stall run by TellMAMA www.tellmamauk.org

Free Refreshments

We will be asking you to vote for a charity to support this year

- Rainbows – supporting children with life-limiting conditions
- There for You – Unison's support for members
- Crisis – the homeless charity

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