

Motion on branch donations limit

Cardiff UCU notes

- Currently donations of more than £50 must be approved by a quorate members' meeting
- Donations of £50 or less can be approved by the Branch Executive without a member vote
- The £50 limit has been in place since at least 2016 and that compared to then it is now worth only £35 in real terms
- Many UCU branches are currently engaged in industrial action and need material support from other branches for these actions to be successful
- Some of these branches have made direct appeals for donations
- Members' meetings often do not line up with these appeals, and this limits the help that the Branch can offer through donations
- Branch finances are stable and the Branch has substantial reserves

Cardiff UCU resolves

- To increase the Branch limit on donations without approval from a general meeting of the Branch from £50 to £100
- To amend Branch rule 6.3.4, so that it reads: "Donations to charities or other bodies whose objects are consistent with those of the Branch. Donations greater than £100 must be approved by a general meeting of the Branch; donations below this amount may be approved by the executive committee."