



Dear Member

School Catering Campaign: UNISON Advice

UNISON Advice if you haven't signed the variation to contract:

You will know that the deadline for requesting a one to one consultation if you have not signed the variation to contract letter is 12 Noon on Friday 15th March. UNISON thinks that you should ask for this meeting so that you can let the council know your feelings and the impact it will have on you, your family and your school.

For those of you who haven't yet requested a meeting please contact Children's Services HR Team on telephone 01629 538713. You can also email them at CAYA.HRDeptEnquiries@derbyshire.gov.uk.

UNISON Advice if you have already signed the variation to contract.

We are aware that some of you may have already signed your variation to contract letter. Our advice was to not sign this variation but if you have already done so you may wish to consider withdrawing this agreement.

The new contracts will not be implemented until the 1st of June and we will issue further advice regarding your position throughout March, April and May. In the meantime we would like you to withdraw the agreement and take advantage of the one-to-one consultations which are being offered to you by the council. At these meetings you can be supported by a UNISON representative and this is where you can tell the council the impact that the cuts are having on you, your family and your school.

I have attached a template letter which you can send withdrawing your agreement and ask for a meeting. You can send this to: Roxanne Hardman, HR Services, Room 313, County Hall, Matlock DE4 3AG or you can type the text of the letter into an email and send it to; roxanne.hardman@derbyshire.gov.uk

Supporting you.

We have heard that the council is now telephoning staff regarding signing the variation to contract letter. Some of you have told us that you feel intimidated/worried by these calls. If you have been contacted by telephone and feel worried or intimidated please let us know.

We will be writing to you again next week with details about our campaign to get the Council to change their minds and how you can help. We have enclosed a leaflet which we intend to circulate to parent at affected schools. If you can help by circulating this at your school please let us know and we will send you some more.

Yours

Jeanette Lloyd
Branch Secretary