

Proposal to increase local subscription to provide sustainable funding for appointment of a Branch Organiser 0.4fte.

Current situation

A local sub of 70 pence is currently paid by all members of University of Sheffield branch of UCU who earn £5k or more. Those earning less than £5k are exempt. The local sub has not been increased for over 10 years.

Background

Until Aug 2009 the branch had clerical support from Christine Methley and is currently employing a temporary Branch Organiser from existing funds. In order to recruit to an open ended Branch Organiser post at 0.4 fte it is necessary to ask for an increase of local subscription to cover this cost. The job summary for this post is attached and would be filled using UCU grading structure (University of Sheffield equivalent of grade 7).

Proposal

To protect those earning the lowest salaries, no local subs payable by members who earn less than £10k
Increase local sub:

- From September 2010 to £1.50
- From September 2011 to £2.00
- Future increases to in line with percentage increase on national subs on the uppermost payment band.

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