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ALL MEMBERS

Merseyside FBU Membership Applications

Dear Brother/Sister,

For not the first time in recent years, senior and middle managers have felt the compunction to promulgate their managerial views in "All MFB" e-mail communications throughout Merseyside Fire Service. It is important that FBU members in Merseyside realise that these so called views, are just that, the views of highly paid managers who are employees of the Authority, the same as all firefighters, control and officer FBU members.

The almost obsessive need to comment upon FBU meetings, resolutions, decisions and circulars from these highly paid middle and senior managers does suggest to the Merseyside FBU Brigade Officials that we should immediately start a recruitment campaign aimed at the most senior levels of management within Merseyside Fire Service so as their views may start to carry some weight within the FBU as at the moment, they do not.

Application forms to join, or in many cases re-join, the FBU can be printed off from the national FBU website which we know that these potential members have access to, as the link to Merseyside FBU website is contained within that website. Alternatively any of these potential FBU members can contact the Brigade Officials who can assist them, through the Brigade Committee, in applying to join the FBU.

Whilst we await new applications to join our trade union, FBU members can be reassured that the Merseyside Brigade Committee and elected Brigade Officials will continue to represent our members and, where necessary, challenge the individual views of other employees of Merseyside Fire Authority on behalf of our 1000+ members in Merseyside.

Yours in Unity

Mark Dunne
Brigade Chair