

Fact sheet 3 - Equality a Standing Item on your Branch Committee Agenda

To keep Equalities on the Agenda for the whole branch have a standing or regular Item where the Disabled Members Officer can

- feedback progress since the last meeting
- Let everyone know what is up and coming both locally, regionally and nationally
- Take questions and ideas from other committee members
- Encourage the branch to focus on the issues for Disabled members in the branch and potentially think about motions that could be put forward to National Disabled members Conference –deadline 8/7/22 for October conference (usually 3 months before conference)
- This can be replicated for other Self Organised Groups under Equalities
- Written reports can be tabled so that everyone gets the chance to see the progress plans and issues and prepare their questions in advance
- In October/November time (8 weeks before) consider nominating for a seat on the Regional Disabled Members Committee this could be your DMO or another Disabled member of the Branch
- Once nominated you have a voice at the SERDMC
- Once on the SERDMC you might like to be nominated to the National Disabled members Committee or attend the National DM Conference
- This attendance and Regional and National events give you the big picture of how UNISON democracy works