
BFAWU Green Reps Network meeting October 2024

Green Reps

A long discussion was had around how we get more green reps in the BFAWU, how do we engage them, encourage branches to elect these reps and most importantly, how we get the environment on the agenda of every branch meeting, regional council, national meetings and conference.

Green Foodworker

Rather than just have one dedicated version a year, every edition should have a green section in it, championing those who are leading the way, educating people about green issues and why it is a trade union issue all year.

Induction workbook

It was agreed this would be a great idea, explaining the role, how it can be implemented in different types of branches, what is working well, have checklists included, what to look for in policies, what to check for in the workplace etc. would all be good to have in there.

Resources/Campaigns

Need information about what a green rep is, what can be done in workplaces and ideas for sites, education about climate change and green issues not only here but worldwide.

A Microsoft form should be circulated and put on the website for members and reps to fill in to feed in what is happening in their workplaces so that it can feed into the union's work in the area.

Workplaces

Do all workplaces have sustainability policies and procedures in the workplace, can we share these where there are best practice in place and make our industry greener together.

How can employers support climate initiatives more, i.e. garden areas, wildflowers, trees etc., can we also do more in our communities around this?