

Dear Colleagues

I thought I would give a 'heads up' on the latest position here in the "Barnet Bunker."

We are still in talks about an improved TUPE Plus agreement for any staff transferring to a new employer.

In terms of the five outsourcing projects, there have been some delays which is always welcome.

Our **Education & Skills and School meal service** is about to go into dialogue with Capita and two other contractors.

The **Library project** has been pushed back four months.

Adult Social Care and **Children's Centres** are due to go to committee in November 2015 and we are waiting for news on **Street Scene services** which are already behind schedule.

I do think however, that with the Election result and the special budget due on **8 July** that things could start to accelerate.

Locally GMB have finally balloted their members, the result is due later this week

Our members have agreed a **48 hour strike on 1& 2 June** and will hopefully be joined by the GMB.

On 1 June we are organising a screening "**The Emperor's New Clothes**" at the Phoenix Cinema (see flyer attached). At the end a Q&A will take place.

On 2 June our members will be leaving the picket lines at lunchtime to take part in a short march from our main Council offices to St John's Church Hall for a rally.

How can you help?

1. Please sign our petition <https://t.co/rMyBAeVDOQ>
2. Promote Barnet VOICE
<http://www.barnetunison.me.uk/sites/default/files/Barnet%20Voice.pdf>
3. Promote "**The easyCouncil Loco-motion**" <https://youtu.be/Wi0bdgofsmM>
4. Promote our animation <https://youtu.be/YQ5t63fSu-s>
5. Please send messages of solidarity & support to contactus@barnetunison.org.uk
6. Please send donations to Barnet UNISON office at contactus@barnetunison.org.uk

Best wishes

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