



**MINUTES OF THE FORESTRY COMMISSION TRADE UNIONS'
SILVAN HOUSE AREA COMMITTEE MEETING
HELD ON 16 JANUARY 2009**

Present: Mary Irvine Chair, PCS
Joanne McAuley Learning Rep, PCS
Jim Henderson Prospect
John Gibson H&S Rep, Prospect

Minute Secretary: Linda McGinley H&S rep, Secretary,
PCS

Apologies: None

1. Introduction

Mary welcomed everyone to the meeting; there were no apologies.

2. Minutes of Last Meeting

These were agreed as a true record.

3. Matters Arising From Last Meeting

There were no matters arising

4. Health and Safety

Some members have raised the issue of the very hot water temperatures in the toilets. The Group thought the simplest action to take would be to ask Bill Robertson to put warning signs up. However, in the first instance, John agreed to follow this up with Bill, as this had been raised previously at a H & S committee meeting.

Action - John

5. Pay 2008

Mary explained that the PCS GEC had met recently and agreed to recommend **rejection** of the pay offer, and members will now be balloted. An open Branch meeting will be scheduled once Allan Mackenzie has written out to members.

Prospect have yet to meet, and Mary explained that their GEC can make an executive decision on whether or not to accept the offer, and decide not to ballot members if they wish.

Action - Mary

6. Annual General Meeting

Mary reported that the Branch PCS AGM is scheduled for Tuesday 17 February.

Action – Mary

7. Silvan House Area Committee Nominations

Nominations for committee members and elections will be arranged for after the AGM. Linda to arrange the next Area Committee meeting for late February.

Action - Linda

8. Date of Next Meeting

Linda to arrange.