



## National School 2010

**A 6 day course for FBU Officials**  
**Sunday 7<sup>th</sup> November – Friday 12<sup>th</sup> November 2010**  
**Wortley Hall**

### Introduction

The 2010 National School has been designed by FBU Head Office Education to help FBU Officials discuss a range of contemporary and relevant issues.

Topics will include the development of trade union strategies to deal with the new challenges facing both the Fire Service and other Public Services and the relevance of both public and private sector trade unionism today. The school will also focus on campaigning and organising both in the workplace and working with other trade unions across our communities. During the school participants will have opportunities to hear contributions from both national and international guest speakers and also take part in educational visits to museums in the Yorkshire region.

The school will provide opportunities for participants to update their knowledge, and develop their skills and confidence to engage in debates covering current Fire Service employment issues; what's happening at the National Joint Council and matters with a wider social and political relevance.

### Aims

The School will help participants to:

- Understand the importance of trade union activities at both local, national and international levels and the ways in which these can interlink
- Discuss key current issues for the FBU within the UK Fire Service, of concern to the National Joint Council and identify priorities for the union and its members
- Consider how the union might develop strategies for campaigning and building an effective organisation at all levels in order to protect the interests of the membership
- Think about the relevance of political ideas in pursuit of trade union objectives such as fair and equal treatment
- Discuss how to tackle racism and challenge far right ideas in the workplace
- Understand the broader trade union and labour movement, both national and international, and factors affecting its development both now and in the past

### Course Applications

**Members are invited to apply either for the first or second year of the school.** Applicants for the first year should have previously attended FBU courses within their region (further details as advised by your Regional Office). Applicants for the second year should have previously attended the first year of National School at some time in the recent past.

### Course Dates and Times

The course is scheduled to start at 14.30 on Sunday 7<sup>th</sup> November 2010 and finish at 13.30 on Friday 12<sup>th</sup> November 2010. All participants should make arrangements to be at Wortley Hall before the starting time on the first day.

### Accreditation

**The course is accredited within the TUC Education Service/National Open College Network Programme,** FBU Officials completing the course will be able to claim the appropriate credit from the awarding body (NOCN).

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## National School 2010 - Application Form

To apply for this course fill in this application form and return it by **Friday 21<sup>st</sup> October 2010** to:  
Sean Starbuck, National Officer, Fire Brigades Union, Bradley House, 68 Coombe Road, Kingston upon Thames, Surrey, KT2 7AE.

I wish to apply for the National School 2010, Sunday 7<sup>th</sup> November 2010 – Friday 12<sup>th</sup> November 2010, at Wortley Hall, South Yorkshire.

I am applying for a place on:	Please tick as appropriate:
<b>National School Year One</b>	
<b>National School Year Two</b>	

**I confirm that my Brigade has agreed to my attending this course without loss of earnings, when applicable.**

**PLEASE PRINT:**

Last name: \_\_\_\_\_ First name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_ Postcode: \_\_\_\_\_

Home telephone: \_\_\_\_\_ Mobile telephone: \_\_\_\_\_

Brigade: \_\_\_\_\_ Union No: \_\_\_\_\_

Branch: \_\_\_\_\_

Your position/s held in the Union: \_\_\_\_\_

Previous FBU Courses attended: \_\_\_\_\_

Previous TUC Courses attended: \_\_\_\_\_

Do you require Crèche facilities? YES/NO (please circle)

Number of Children: \_\_\_\_\_ Age/s: \_\_\_\_\_ Sex: \_\_\_\_\_

For Bedroom Allocation: MALE/FEMALE (please circle)

Do you define yourself as disabled? YES/NO (please circle)

**If you have any particular requirements please contact us as soon as possible.**

Signature of Applicant: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

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### **REGIONAL COMMITTEE USE**

Endorsed as a Candidate for Course: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature of Education Officer/Regional Secretary: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Region: \_\_\_\_\_

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