

Pay update

Members will be aware that in 2015 the NASUWT prepared and submitted a detailed pay claim to the Policy Council which clearly identified the need for a substantial, above-RPI pay uplift for teachers for the 2015/16 pay award.

Negotiations have been ongoing for a number of months, at a painfully slow rate, due to the Policy Council's prevarication.

It is deeply disappointing that these negotiations have now broken down, as the Policy Council remains completely intransigent from their opening position, which was decided before negotiations even begun.

Despite clear evidence to the contrary, the Policy Council refuses to concede there is a strong case for teachers to receive a substantial uplift.

As educational standards are inextricably linked to teachers' pay and conditions, this stance threatens to undermine the education of pupils in Guernsey.

The NASUWT, through the Negotiating Council for Teachers and Lecturers in Guernsey (NCTLG), will now invoke the failure to agree procedure, which initially involves a process of mediation.

Members will be kept informed of all developments as they arise.

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