

## LETTER TO BRANCHES





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Dear Colleagues,

## Greener Jobs Alliance (GJA) Newsletter No. 27 July-August 2020

The Greener Jobs Alliance was launched to promote skills training and job creation to meet the needs of Britain's rapidly growing low carbon sectors and to green the whole economy. The transition to a low carbon and resource efficient economy can drive sustainable economic recovery and job creation in every part of the country as well as making existing jobs more secure. But this requires a more strategic national and local approach to deliver the workforce skills needed and to stimulate demand for clean energy and energy efficiency services. The Greener Jobs Alliance liaises at a national and local level to build the broadest possible support for the policies, investment, partnerships and commitments needed to drive the transition to a low carbon economy.

The Greener Jobs Alliance liaises with training bodies, colleges, universities, employers, local and national government, trade unions, housing associations, campaign and community groups - to build the policies, investment and partnerships needed to drive the transition to a low carbon economy.

The GJA runs a number of 'free' courses on the environment for Trade Union Reps in different parts of the UK which have been attended by a number of CWU Reps.

The GJA came into existence as a result of funding from Battersea and Wandsworth TUC.

The GJA Newsletter editor is Graham Petersen, also the GJA Secretary. Graham is well known to the CWU and has a long standing working relationship with the Union. He is a former TUC Tutor and Course Designer who created Safety Reps training courses. He was the head of the Trade Union Studies Centre at South Thames College before retirement from the post.

Newsletter 27 examines the detail of the Government's claims to be supporting a Green Recovery and provides updates on a range of union/workplace climate initiatives.

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- 5. No-deal Brexit threat to manufacturing
- 6. Give our young people and the planet hope Unite
- 7. Unions call for 'Retraining Revolution'
- 8. Canadian unions demand Green Youth Job Guarantee
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- 10. Just Transitions: 'one concept, different meanings'

See attached July-August 2020 GJA Newsletter No. 27.

Yours sincerely

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