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**TO: ALL BRANCHES**

Dear Colleague

**ROBERT ALAN LLOYD OBE – FORMER NEC MEMBER & RETIRED MEMBERS SECRETARY**

I am writing to inform you of the sad news that Robert Alan Lloyd passed away on Sunday 13<sup>th</sup> October 2019, aged 83. Alan started his working life as a cable jointer for the General Post Office and British Telecom. He joined the old Swansea Engineering branch, which was in the NCU in 1958. He became the Branch Chair in 1965, a position he held for over 20 years in addition to being the Branch Secretary for three years which later merged with Pontypridd to become the Welsh Valleys in 2005. In 2002 Alan was awarded the union's Gold Badge Award.

As well as taking part in union activities, Alan had been a keen Labour supporter since 1956 and he served as a Labour Councillor from 1967 to 2012. During this period he also served as Lord Mayor of Swansea for one year.

Alan was the first to be awarded an honorary membership to the Congress of the Council of Europe; he was the President of the International Union of Local Authorities and Founder President of the United Cities and Local Government. In recognition of his services to local government and democracy in Wales and overseas, Alan was awarded the OBE in 2013.

Alan made a huge contribution over many years both to the CWU, its predecessor unions and to the wider trade union and labour movement. He was very well respected and I know that he will be sorely missed by his friends and colleagues.

At this sad time our thoughts are of course with Alan's wife Lillian, their surviving sons Paul and Clive and the rest of their family. I will on behalf of the CWU convey our deepest sympathy and condolences to his wife and other family members.

**Alan's funeral arrangements are as follows:-**

**Friday 1<sup>st</sup> November at 12.30pm  
at the Swansea Crematorium, Cemetery Lodge Heol Pentre, Felen,  
Morrison, Swansea, SA6 6BY**

**Followed by a gathering at The Liberty Stadium, Neath Road, Landore, SA12 FA**

Please note that the family have requested no flowers but would welcome donations to the British Heart Foundation. Please contact Eugene Caparros, Branch Secretary of South Wales ([office@cwusouthwales.com](mailto:office@cwusouthwales.com)) for further information regarding donations.

Any enquiries on the above LTB should be addressed to [gsoffice@cwu.org](mailto:gsoffice@cwu.org)

Yours sincerely



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**General Secretary**