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**TO: ALL BRANCHES**

Dear Colleagues,

**CWU Virtual Pride – Thursday 11 June 2020, 6-7 pm**

COVID-19 and the ongoing lockdown has seen many Pride events being cancelled this year, however the health and safety of our members and representatives has to take priority. We have thought long and hard as to how we can enjoy and continue to celebrate Pride in 2020 and we are delighted to confirm that a first ever CWU Virtual Pride has been organised.

The Virtual Pride event will consist of a number of engaging, thought-provoking and fun elements.

These include:

- A Eurovision style format linking into our regions across the UK:
- A panel session involving **Quinn Roache** - TUC Policy Advisor, **Helen Cooper** – NEC LGBT+ Lead and **Maria Exall** - TUC General Council
- The session will cover various issues such as what the CWU are developing in the workplace, the COVID-19 impact amongst the LGBT+ community and lastly, the reality of how homophobia/biphobia/transphobia still impacts on the LGBT+ community.
- A competition for most colourful backdrop/participant.

To take part in Virtual Pride, you will need to register beforehand. RVSP by emailing us at: [Equality&Education@cwu.org](mailto:Equality&Education@cwu.org)

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A digital poster is attached and we would be grateful if you could share this extensively.

Any queries on this LTB should be directed to [Equality&Education@cwu.org](mailto:Equality&Education@cwu.org)

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