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**TO: ALL MEMBERS  
SOUTH WEST FBU**

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Dear Brother / Sister,

**SOUTH WEST TRADES UNION CONGRESS RE-ELECT FBU OFFICIAL TO HIGHEST POST**

I am very pleased to be able to inform you that Bro John Drake, the FBU Regional Secretary for our Region, has been re-elected as Chair of the South West TUC. The post of Chair is the highest office available to lay Officials within the Regional TUC organisation and is a post which is elected by all the affiliated Unions. John was nominated for this post at the recent South West TUC Annual Conference and secured the support of the overwhelming number of Unions to be successfully elected.

This is a tremendous achievement for John and reflects the high esteem he is held in by Members, Officials and Unions throughout the TUC and wider movement. Clearly this achievement also reflects very highly on the FBU Region in the South West and will undoubtedly have significant benefits for our Members and organisation across our Region.

The role of TUC Chair is a high profile post within the South West which John will carry with him as he continues his duties as FBU Regional Secretary.

I know that Members will join with me in congratulating John on this outstanding achievement.

I am also very pleased to inform you that our Regional Chair, Bro Phil Jordan, was elected to the SW TUC Executive as a Trades Council delegate for the first time. This reflects the broad spectrum of political activity that Officials within the Region are undertaking to fight for our movement against the attacks of the Tory led coalition.

Best wishes.  
Yours fraternally,

**TAM MCFARLANE  
EXECUTIVE COUNCIL MEMBER  
SOUTH WEST FBU**