

Committee Member

Role Description

Role Purpose

A Committee Member supports the effective running of Dorset NEU by contributing to district discussions, decision-making, planning and collective activity. Committee Members help ensure that Dorset NEU reflects the views of its membership, operates democratically, and delivers strong support, organising and campaigning for educators across the district.

Key Responsibilities

1. Participation in District Governance

- Attend Dorset NEU meetings and actively participate in discussions, decision-making and planning.
- Contribute to shaping district priorities, strategies and campaigns.
- Ensure that the voices and concerns of members in local workplaces are brought into district-level conversations.

2. Supporting District Activity

- Assist with Dorset NEU events, campaigns, training, meetings and organising work where needed.
- Help promote Dorset NEU activity within local networks, schools and settings.
- Support communication between the district and members, sharing updates and encouraging involvement.

3. Representing Members

- Provide insight into local issues affecting educators, including workload, staffing, funding, wellbeing and equality.
- Act as a link between the district and workplaces, helping ensure decisions are informed by real experiences.
- Encourage members to contact Dorset NEU for support, advice or engagement opportunities.

4. Upholding Union Values

- Promote NEU principles of equality, democracy, fairness and collective action.
- Support inclusive practice and encourage diverse participation in Dorset NEU activity.
- Contribute to a respectful, collaborative and member-focused district environment.

5. Collaboration

- Work closely with the District Secretary, Officers and other Committee Members.
- Support district-wide initiatives led by other officers (e.g., organising, equality, campaigns, CPD).

- Share skills, knowledge and experience to strengthen Dorset NEU's work.

Skills & Attributes

- Willingness to participate, engage and collaborate.
- Good communication skills and ability to represent member concerns clearly.
- Supportive, inclusive and committed to NEU values.
- Reliable and prepared to contribute to district activity.

Time Commitment

- Attendance at Dorset NEU district meetings.
- Occasional involvement in events, campaigns or additional activities as available.