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Dear Colleagues

UNISON South West Retired Members' Seminar and AGM* 10:15am – 3:30pm Thursday 9 November 2023 The Albemarle Centre, Albemarle Road, Taunton, TA1 1BA

Further to the save the date announcements, please could you bring the above event to the notice of your retired members as soon as possible, so that retired members who are intending to participate can complete and return the necessary forms.

The Seminar and AGM* is being held at The Albemarle Centre. The venue is a short walk from the train station and the nearest car park is at Belvedere Road.

A buffet lunch will be provided. You should note that there is no attendance fee, but Branches will be responsible for their respective members' travelling expenses, excluding current regional Retired Committee members.

Please find enclosed an application form for attendance at the event, plus a link to an **online registration form**. NB: The preferred <u>registration method is **online**</u>.

The seminar will be held in the morning, with two guest speakers: Kerry Baigent, UNISON South West Regional Manager, and Ines Lage, South West TUC Regional Secretary. The attached programme provides further details.

The AGM will begin at 1:30pm. Included with this calling notice is a **nomination form** for retired members who wish to become a member of the South West Retired Members' Committee in 2023-2024. Again, the preferred <u>nomination method is **online**</u>.

The closing date for receipt of applications to attend the conference, and nominations is **9am** on **Wednesday 25 October**.

Hard copies of registration forms should be returned to Jenn Gollings at the above address or completed Word forms emailed to <u>retired.sw@unison.co.uk</u>, by the deadline. However,

the preference for all forms to be completed online (see links within this letter, below, and in the cover email). After the deadline all online forms will automatically close.

I look forward to seeing as many of our retired members as possible.

Yours sincerely

Liz Payne-Ahmadi & Rosie McGregor

Liz Payne-Ahmadi & Rosie McGregor UNISON South West Retired Members' Committee Chair & Secretary

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Registration form – Word version Registration form – <u>online link</u> – **preferred registration option**

Committee member nomination form – Word version Committee member nomination form – <u>online link</u> – **preferred nomination option**

The Albemarle Centre – <u>https://alblifeskills.org/</u> The Albemarle Centre location – <u>https://alblifeskills.org/contact-us</u>

*AGM – Annual General Meeting