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Dear All,

Following the IA undertaken over the last weeks the Leader of the Council and the Chief Executive agreed to meet with UNISON. The meeting took place earlier this week. Specifically was to discuss re-opening negotiations around the redundancy multiplier although the County Plan was mentioned by the employer.

So a big thank you to all who have participated in the action so far in various ways. We know it is difficult at times to put the action into practice.

One consequence is that we are meeting the employer again early next week to hopefully make some headway towards a resolution.

Obviously, no agreement can be reached without your democratic say so. More to follow.

The pending pension's dispute is climbing fast up the agenda so we will need to be prepared for that battle (with the national employers and the government!)

Best wishes,

Nigel Behan

Branch Secretary