



“Can you Shape the Future of Public Services in Barnet?” “Yes you can!”

Colleagues

The Trade Unions are launching their own Future Shape Group. The Group will run fortnightly starting on **Wednesday 25 February, 6 pm** in UNISON Office NLBP.

We need members who understand the challenges facing Public Services. We want members to share their skills, work and life experiences in drawing up a **radical** Blueprint Future of Public Services in Barnet

If you are interested in helping to develop proposals which can transform the way we deliver Public Services in Barnet please contact the UNISON office at contactus@barnetunison.org.uk

The work of the Group will be to look at:

- Potential for shared services between public bodies in Barnet
- Improving coordination and service integration across Barnet public sector
- How Public Services can best meet the needs of the community in the global recession?
- What Barnet residents want from Public Services?
- Improving and strengthening democratic governance
- The role of public services in the Barnet City-Suburb
- Use of technology to improve the way staff work and deliver services

“The Council have organised Future Shape Groups. Why have you set up a Group?”

The Trade Unions request to have a place on the Councils Future Shape Group was rejected. We have a responsibility on behalf of our members to actively engage in the consultation of the Future of Public Services in Barnet.

We believe it is important to offer alternative proposals. We believe that staff have considerable expertise & experience which may not be taken up through

the Councils own Groups. Our Group offers another opportunity to staff to positively contribute to the consultation process.

The Future Shape Group ***Barnet Strategy “aims to bring together all of those people across public services”***. In response to this our Group will include members from 11 Public Sector Trade Unions working across Barnet Public Services.

Guest speakers will be invited to help inform the work of the Group.

The work of the Group will positively contribute to joint trade unions response to the Future Shape programme.