

Tuesday 4 March 2025

Dear Members,

Re: UBAT update

It is our view that issues at your schools resulting from poor financial handling are unacceptable. Due to this financial mishandling, you are to be TUPE transferred to a different academy trust. There is, of course, no guarantee that the academy trust you are transferred to is run any more effectively or managed with greater financial efficiency. We fear that the exact same situation may be repeated, and you are required to be TUPE transferred a further time still.

Over the last month GMB has been visiting a number of UBAT schools; reaching out to members, directly communicating with them and discussing what action they wish to take. We are planning to visit the remaining UBAT schools as soon as possible to hear what you have to say. Members have expressed in number that they want to campaign for UBAT school to be back under local authority control.

Our next step will be to speak to local members of parliament with the aim of them lobbying for all the schools in UBAT to be put back under local authority control.

If you would like to get involved and come along to the meeting with your local MP, please contact us at TeamHove@gmb.org.uk. We would really like to hear from you.

Kind regards

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