

PSA AND SPSF (SA BRANCH) FEBRUARY COUNCIL MEETING

The PSA and CPSU (SPSF) SA Branch councils met on February 16th 2009.

Key issues discussed during the meetings included:

PSA UPPER HOUSE CAMPAIGN

The General Secretary provided an update on the campaign. The campaign is having a significant effect, particularly in terms of the amount of debate that has been initiated by the PSA produced DVD. The DVD is now being distributed more widely than originally envisioned and has also been made available on the PSA [web-site](#) and on [YouTube](#).

PUBLIC SECTOR BILL

A report on the status of the Bill and issues that are being pursued was provided. Detailed information on the progress of the Bill through the House of Assembly has been provided to members previously this week. It is expected that amendments to the Bill which address issues identified by the PSA will be pursued by the Opposition and others in the Legislative Council. The stance taken by members of the Upper House has brought the role of that chamber into clear focus as a body that can amend flawed legislation and act as a genuine house of review.

EDUCATION AND CHILDREN'S SERVICES (DECS) ENTERPRISE AGREEMENT

Council noted that DECS School based members, with teachers, are to receive a 3.75% interim pay increase pending finalisation of the Arbitration process.