

Emergency Motion 2

A Just Transition for Steel and for Women

Conference notes the devastating announcement by Tata Steel UK, of plans to close blast furnaces at Port Talbot impacting more than 3,000 jobs and risking the future of British steelmaking.

Conference recognises that steelworks often directly provide well-paying jobs with workplace support that allows many women and single parents to continue employment alongside caring responsibilities they may have. Steelworks also play a vital role in the local economies where they are based – supporting jobs in local shops, cafes, cleaning and wider contract services – and with women disproportionately represented in many of these wider areas they are sadly at the forefront of those job losses local communities are facing.

Conference stands in solidarity with women working in and around the steel industry at this time and recognises the uncertainty and stress that many families and households will be feeling about their jobs, local communities, and the future of their industry.

Conference calls on the Women's Committee to:

- i. Send a message of solidarity to women working in steelmaking communities
- ii. Support the UK steel industry and campaign to secure a just and fair transition for the workforce at Port Talbot and across Tata Steel UK.

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