



Motion Writing Advice

Writing motions to be debated at Annual General Meetings, Conferences and elsewhere isn't necessarily scary and certainly doesn't have to be difficult or complex.

The guide below may help you to write motions that could be debated at the PCS Proud Annual General Meeting or branch AGMs.

- What is the issue that needs to be debated?
- How does it affect members?
- What difference will a change in policy/taking action or changing the rule make?
- Instructions are essential in a motion "The GEC/National Committee/NEC is instructed to:"
- Keep your motion clear and concise.

Example Motion:

This AGM recognises that the world of sport is still rife with homophobia, with very few positive role models for people to look up to. For example, there were only 23 "out" LGBT+ people taking part in the 2012 Olympic Games.

This AGM agrees that this makes it more difficult for LGBT+ people who participate in sports to be out and proud when facing constant homophobic attacks.

This meeting believes that direct action to encourage sports organisations to recognise the need for positive role models will encourage more LGBT+ people to participate in sports.

The Proud National Committee is instructed to:

- Write to the Olympic Committee to demand that they speak out against homophobia/bi-phobia and transphobia in sports and encourage more LGBT+ people to take part in sports.
- Write to sporting organisations and encourage a joint mass campaign to stamp out prejudice of all forms in the world of sports.

What can I do?

Simple – you know what you want PCS or Proud to be/do and as a member it is down to you to ensure it happens. Write a motion to the PCS Annual Delegate's Conference or Proud AGM and shape our union's policies!

In relation to the Proud AGM, all motions must be submitted electronically unless there is an exceptional reason as to why you are unable to do so.