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Consultation on petition P-04-410 Permanent Memorial to Wates's Workers Response from Unite



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Mr W Powell Committee Chair Petitions Committee National Assembly for Wales Cardiff Bay Cardiff CF99 1NA

Dear Mr Powell

Petition – A Permanent Memorial to Wales Workers

Thank you for your letter dated 31/10/12, in connection with the above, the contents of which I find mystifying.

Some years ago the Wales TUC petitioned the WAG for a permanent memorial to all workers who had died at work, to be sited at the Welsh Government building in Cardiff Bay. This was refused.

The Wales TUC has now erected a permanent memorial to all workers at its headquarters at 1 Cathedral Road, Cardiff CF11 9SD and each year, along with the First Minister and family members, who have lost loved ones, we hold a memorial service.

It is clear that the Bevan Foundations are completely ignorant of this longstanding Welsh Labour movement memorial. A fact I find to be quite incredible.

I can absolutely assure you that Unite will not be providing any funding or support for an alternative memorial to the one already erected by the Labour movement in Wales.

Yours sincerely,

Andy Richards Regional Secretary Unite Wales

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