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## Summary of the branch meeting held on 24.02.16

The minutes of the last meeting were agreed to be a true record.

It was agreed to make a donation to the Jam Detached Youth Work Initiative in Corby

The secretary has started the arrangement for this year's Workers Memorial Day event. Letters have gone to various unions for support. Tom Beattie will speak, a request has gone to Labour Behind the Label to provide a speaker. Youth Brass 200 have been asked if they could do a turn.

A cheque had been presented to the Corby Food Bank at a cake sale to raise funds. Debbie said that £600 had been raised which is excellent and she passed on their thanks to the branch. It was agreed that the branch should support the other food banks in the county. It was agreed that we donate £50 per quarter to each food bank by standing order. There are eight food banks.

Branch finances remain healthy

Traffic on the website is improving.

Management at Kier in Corby seem to be sure that they will get a year's extension on the current contract. There are lots of grievances and a couple of disciplinary being processed at the moment. Rachelle said that she is spending a lot of her time on site.

The meeting closed at 7.50pm.