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"The latest news from NIPSA Headquarters"

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To: **Further Education Branch Secretaries (3NN)** (Bulletin Basis)
Further Education Panel (6WW)

cc B Graham, D Harte, J Munton

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Dear Colleague

2008 NJC PAY

NIPSA has today received confirmation from the FE Sector that finally the 2008 NJC Pay has been approved by DEL and DFP. At a meeting, NIPSA pressed for the implementation of the agreement as quickly as possible and certainly no later than the end of April 2009. NIPSA has also queried how the Colleges would deal with the potential negative impact on those members in receipt of tax credits. The employers agreed to take this issue back to the Association of NI Colleges (ANIC) Board next week.

NIPSA would wish to thank those members who took the time to write to their MLA and press for immediate action which I believe had a positive impact.

NIPSA has already put down a marker that we expect a speedier response once the 2009 NJC Pay is agreed and will be pro-active in pressing Management to ensure this happens.

Following representations from NIPSA the Employment and Learning Committee of the Assembly have agreed to meet a delegation from NIPSA both about the 2008 pay implementation and future pay arrangements.

NIPSA will continue to lobby this Committee to put pressure on government to resolve this unnecessary bureaucracy to implement your contractual rights.

Yours sincerely



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