UCU Cymru Notes

* Marketisation and the current tuition fee model have led universities away from their core functions of education and research to the detriment of students, staff and society as a whole.
* Marketisation is also the root cause of the decline in staff pay, working conditions and academic freedom.
* Comparable European Countries have publicly funded university systems. They are possible.
* 80% of students never pay back their fees in full meaning that taxpayer money is already covering this. This is not an efficient way to publicly fund universities.

UCU Cymru Believes

* In a Higher Education system that is publicly owned, publicly funded, and driven not by market pressures but by a vision of service and education and research as public goods.

UCU Cymru Resolves

* To launch a public campaign against tuition fees as part of UCU Rising or its successor campaign.
* For UCU Cymru to lobby the UK government to publicly fund universities.
* To make public funding a demand in industrial disputes.