

Notes from Leith Chooses 23rd December

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Apologies – Caroline Lamond

A. Urgent steps

LC banners are up already on Leith Walk fences.

1. Bruce will make / has made a 'holding page' on website so anybody who follows the web link on the banners before New Year will be reassured they are in the right place.
2. Bruce will update the text on the LC website gallery in line with the latest spread sheet Caroline sent round.

B. Logo, pics and updated info re Trams to Newhaven sent to Phyllis (Edinburgh Reporter). No response or article so far.

C. Discussion of the outstanding project applications: 1. Are they eligible, and 2. are they eligible for boost votes?

We tried our very best to resolve, but there does still seem to be some information needed before a final decision can be taken.

- **Project 25 Kin Collective** - decision: eligible for normal vote, not eligible for boost.
We felt they had given adequate evidence of being legitimate and should not be penalised for being so new.
- **Project 26 Nurture the Play** - decision: Possibly - they are eligible for normal vote but only if they provide 'Tribe' bank account details and reframe application (into 100 words, and clarify exactly what they would spend the money on, and that the staff costs are for sessional project workers / class tutors.
 - Sally said - I'd be happy to pick up the job of phoning / emailing them if you would give me a contact number / email or ask her to contact me?
- **Project 27 Chief Radio** - decision: Probably No, but they COULD be eligible for normal vote but only if they provide bank account details, and rejig costs to remove 'wear and tear', and reframe 'salary' costs as 'new project worker' costs. Have they just not bothered to provide this update? Then it's (reluctantly) a No.
- **Project 28 Mhor Outdoor** - decision: No, not eligible, following last week's discussions.
- **Project 24 The Junction** - decision: Leaning to 'Yes', they are eligible if they can clarify phone costs - exactly what does £400 per phone buy?
 - Sally again - Again, I'd be happy to pick up the job of phoning / emailing them if you would give me a contact number / email or ask them to contact me?
- **Project 18 Edinburgh Remakery** - decision: eligible for normal vote but No Boost Vote, reluctantly (This word not to be publicised) as they merely 'hope / intend' to benefit BAME clients.
- **Project 11 SHE Scotland** – in a way similar to 18 above, but more likely to be deliverable. Decision probably yes, but dependent on Sally contacting Trishna / Sabrina to get more info about SHE – re 'ethnicity' (will enough volunteer mentors - i.e. 'active participants' be BME?)