

Leith Chooses meeting 25 September 2024

Present: Abby, Bruce (minutes), Don, Douglas, Jack, Sally, Susan, Tremaine

Apologies: Naomi, Susan

Actions are green-highlighted

1 Catch-up on last week's actions

1.1 Extending range of potential applicants

- Tremaine/Naomi have sent comms to the list of potential applicants
- Naomi has offered a meeting with Leith Runs Together.
- There is now no concern over local branches of national organisations (or organisations that go significantly beyond the LC area), so long as the projects would benefit the LC area.
- Sally has added a draft beginner's guide to LC to the website.
- There have been meetings with the various Hibs organisations – see the report in the Appendix
 - We need to be sure that applicants are properly constituted: CEC legal advises that companies limited by **guarantee** would be eligible but companies limited by **share** *might* not be.
 - Action: if Hibs Supporters Club applies, Tremaine to insist on getting HSC's constitution asap so relevant checks can be made.
 - Action: Sally to dig further into such concerns.

1.2 Physical prep: graphics

- David McNaughton has now replied that graphics and templates will be ready by end Oct. Then
 - Action: Tremaine to send assess to CEC print team to produce lamppost-wraps etc.
- The conversation about t-shirts is ongoing. DM advises £10 single sided, £14 double-sided. It is not clear whether these would be ethically-sourced t-shirts, which we would prefer.
- Tremaine has budget in hand.
- DM is relaxed about us altering his artworks, but we really want his professional templates.

1.3 Mapping

- Action: Tremaine/Naomi to seek an updated list of postcodes in the LC area. (This stems from a new development that was in the LC area having its own postcode, which wasn't in the list used to check voter eligibility in a previous round of LC.)
 - This is in progress.

2 Applications

- Two applications have been received so far.
- ELREC has asked for a meeting.

3 Reporting from previous years

- Tremaine has chased Himalayan Centre for the receipts missing from their report.
- Sikh Sanjog did not spend a £1k of its £5k grant, due to the relevant staff member leaving.
- Action: Tremaine to offer meeting to ascertain whether SS can still deliver the project: if they cannot within the next 6 months, CEC will need to reclaim the grant.

4 Publicity

Jack is working on 'showcase' publicity, using previous LC-funded projects.

- Action: Jack to circulate drafts of this publicity.
- Action: steering group to decide how/when to publish such materials, making sure it avoids issues such as promoting groups that have applied to this year's LC.

5 Running expenses

- Leith Links CC has received £280 from Leith Festival.
 - Decision: Sally to receive this money to cover her expenses for LC's website.
- Tremaine is chasing for other volunteer expenses to be reimbursed.