

Leith Chooses meeting, 4 February 2026

Present: Abigail, Bruce, Jack, Lisa, Rachel, Sally, Tremaine

Apologies:

Definite actions are green-highlighted (sorry there are two shades of green – out of my control – no significance!)

1 Tech

- Napier-ites may no longer be able to use their accounts to join Teams meetings.
 - Action: Tremaine to set up use of personal addresses for those afflicted

2 Photos from voting day

- However we use them, we must credit Tom Duffin
- Tremaine has doubts about quality
 - Action: Jack to collate 3rd-party photos
 - Action: Tremaine/Erin to upload video interviews from voting day
 - Action: Jack to collate slideshow for the awards event and bits of video interviews.
 - Action: Sally to show slideshow at the forthcoming PB Scotland workshop

3 Awards event

- Various suggestions have been made by email
- Meeting preferred people who have links with Leith and PB/LC
 - Suggestions include Willy Barr, Jim Scanlon OBE, Phyllis (*Edinburgh Reporter*)
 - Action: Sally to email Willy.
- We might also ask Rob Levick to speak - as a tacit thank you for the community centre. (Someone must thank Docherty!)
- Action: Lisa to ask the Leith Central CC musicians if they would play at the awards event.
- Action: Don to speak on LC's background.
- Action: Tremaine to ask Naomi if she (± Tremaine) wants to speak on behalf of CGF.
- Action: Sally to speak second last
- Action: Bruce to write something about total vote numbers (**NOT** numbers of votes for individual applicants).
- Action: Jack/Sally to liaise about inviting press.
- Action: Jack/Sally to speak as co-chairs (welcome and wrap-up).
- Action: Naomi/Tremaine to set up photo-frame and award-envelopes.

4 Surveys of voters and applicants

- Action: Naomi to circulate questions for applicant questionnaire.

4.1 Voter questionnaire

- Debate over 'I am aware of the results' question. If we include this question, we can't publish this survey until after the awards.
 - So we will publish on 19th or 20th February.
 - We will keep it live for 2 weeks.

5 Voting update

- 1582 online voters (last year 3021, so we are on track)
- Action: Naomi to send out reminder-to-vote email
- We have no more Facebook boosting money.
- Abby has seen many QR codes encouraging voting around Leith.
- Action: Naomi/Tremaine to remind applicants that the vote is still on.

6 AOB

- Libraries are changing hours and charging – does that affect us?
- Maybe not, because Jack and Susan are councillors.
 - Action: Tremaine to check with CEC libraries.