

Leith Chooses Meeting Notes, 27 May 2026

Present: Bruce, Don, Donna, Jack, Lisa, Sally

Apologies: Abigail, Rachel, Susan

1 Brief recap/update

1.1 Boost Vote

- The SG held a meeting devoted to this topic on 13 May (Link to meeting notes on Teams: [2026 05 13 Meeting notes.docx](#)).
 - Outcome 1: no significant change, but maybe wee refinements to eligibility criteria
 - Outcome 2: this decision holds for two cycles
 - Action: Jack to present on Edinburgh regeneration fund (which has some similarities to boost vote) at a future meeting.

1.2 TVL monies

- Sally and Don attended the relevant CEC culture and communities meeting. They weren't able to make all the points we wanted, unfortunately.
- Some C&C committee members favoured the suggested 1-year delay to get things right, but not enough members to get this agreed.
- Other C&C committee members feared that the proposed TVL PB scheme would expose CEC to litigation, because it projects etc might not meet legislative requirements.
- No changes ensued except that allocations will be based on population and multiple deprivation, rather than a flat rate for each ward. (No detail on how this would be done was provided.)
- The CEC official seemed resigned to the first year having, er, teething problems.
- The general feeling in the room was to help the process, so Edinburgh gets better at PB, and there are benefits for Leith, and LeithChooses is protected/enhanced.
 - It was suggested that a public meeting would help clarify which the difference between LC and TVL, e.g. their different aims, what sort of projects fit each.
 - It was suggested that CEC needs to invest money (perhaps from the admin tranche for each ward) to train and prepare for the TVL PB.
 - The CEC official is seeking examples of good PB-funded projects.
 - Projects for this scheme with fit culture, arts, heritage, parks and sports. (Action: Bruce to email to the official that the LC website has a 'database' of projects that could be models for this scheme.)
 - It was reiterated that there should be clear separation between LC and the TVL PB.
- There is concern both within LC and CEC about wards that don't have community organisations that would support TVL PB.
 - What would happen to unspent money? It might be rolled into the next year.
- Action: Bruce to share with Jason info on the TVL PB, e.g. the CEC official's slides.

2 LC Leaflet for Gala Day and/or other purposes

- Action: Jack to draft.
 - Double-sided A5
 - Side 1: Areas included/eligibility ('Am I included? Use your vote!') + map
 - Side 2: what is LC? 'Your money, your say!'

3 Action list for the coming session

No discussion