



ENGLISH YOUNG LIBERALS

Executive Meeting – February 2024 – Minutes

Members Present:

<i>JN</i>	Joe Norris	he/him	EYL Chair
<i>JMN</i>	Josh Nightingale	he/him	East Midlands Regional Chair
<i>TJ</i>	Tom Jordan	he/him	East of England Regional Chair
<i>JLM</i>	Josh Lucas Mitte	he/him	London Regional Chair
<i>TC</i>	Thom Campion	he/him	North East Regional Chair
<i>TS</i>	Tom Sutton	he/him	North West Regional Chair
<i>TN</i>	Tom Nevill	he/him	South East Regional Chair
<i>TM</i>	Tim Macy	he/him	West Midlands Regional Chair

Apologies:

<i>RF</i>	Rowan Fitton	he/him	Vice-Chair for Membership Engagement
<i>JB</i>	James Bliss	he/they	Policy and Regional Engagement Officer
<i>HJ</i>	Huw James	he/him	Events Committee Representative
<i>TO</i>	Todd Olive	he/him	Devon and Cornwall Regional Chair
<i>NE</i>	Nathan Eve	he/him	South Central Regional Chair

Absent:

<i>ZM</i>	Zeb Mackintosh	he/him	Western Counties Regional Chair
<i>GS</i>	George Sykes	he/him	Yorkshire and the Humber Regional Chair

Agenda: [February 2024 Agenda](#)

Reports: [February 2024 Reports](#)

Meeting opened at 5:00pm.

1. Welcome and apologies

JN welcomes the EYL Executive and took apologies.

2. Action points and matters arising

JN gave a status update about action points from previous minutes as in [appendix 1](#). Items noted included:

Action Point	Date Set	Person(s)	Status
Draft a motion regarding antisemitism, based upon the EYL interim policy.	04.01.24	JB	Completed ▾

It was noted that JB had submitted a motion to YL Winter Conference based upon the EYL interim policy regarding antisemitism, and that this is due to be debated at Conference next weekend.

3. Regions

a. Regional progress updates

JN asked regional chairs present about any updates to them getting access to regional Lighthouse and Connect.

TS reported that, with regards to Lighthouse, there seems to be some freezing of access being given due to new boundaries. TS is still working on getting access, and will pursue it at the upcoming regional conference.

TJ confirmed he is now on the East of England Regional Executive, and had his first meeting in the week.

TN and JLM will continue to pursue regional Lighthouse access.

TM is yet to ask for access, but will do.

b. Regional Executive members

JN asked regional chairs present if there were any updates on the members of their regional executives.

c. Regional staffers

JN asked regional chairs present about their regional members of staff, and encouraged them to form relationships with them. This follows a productive meeting between JLM and London's regional development and diversity staff member. TC provided additional information on regional staff members.

Action point: Regional chairs to get in contact with their relevant regional staff member and form a working relationship with them.

d. Regional campaigning

JN ran through each present regional chairs' plans for campaigning over the year. Initially, regional chairs should focus on having action days for moving forward tiered seats and local elections where they are taking place, and should then focus on only a select few advanced seats in each region.


TC encouraged regional chairs to remember to direct people over the borders to their nearest advanced seats. For example, people in the northern part of the East Midlands should be directed to Sheffield Hallam.

4. Finances


a. Funded project idea

JN reminded the Exec of the social-media focused funded project idea.

TC to send over notes to JN, for JN to draft a fleshed-out proposal with.

5. General Meeting -  Winter 2024 GM Timetable

a. Selection of amendments to motions and CAs -


 Winter 2024 GM Motions

JN confirmed that there were no amendments submitted to any of the received motions (see doc above).

Therefore, the business part of the GM will consist of the three submitted CAs, save for any submitted emergency motions.

b. Chairs and aides

JN outlined the plan for the moderators and aides of the GM. Asking for volunteers for aides, TJ volunteered.

c. Final agenda -  Winter 2024 GM Agenda

JN outlined the draft agenda, and proposed it to be approved as the final agenda. The Exec voted unanimously to approve it as the final agenda.

Action point: JN to publish the final GM agenda.

d. General Election briefing

Action point: JN to write a presentation for a General Election briefing for the GM.

6. Questions on reports -  February 2024 Reports

JN asked TJ about the success TJ has had with regards to regional funding. TJ explained that the region had agreed to fund an email address for EoE YL, and have a budget available to them. Suggestions for budget requests including hiring spaces for action days or getting access funds for campaigning/regional conference.

JN asked JLM about London's regional conference. JLM asked for a regional conference kit, and advertised needing YLers to volunteer as stewards. JN also asked JLM to advertise the second Esher and Walton action day on 2nd March.

Action point: JN to send JLM a Conference Kit

Action point: JLM to advertise Esher and Walton action day on 2nd March.

JN asked TS when the North West's regional conference was. TS informed the Exec that it was on the 17th February, and that he has a conference kit somewhere to take, with YL Cllr Rebecca Turner giving a talk on being a young councillor. JN encouraged TS to give out the EYL conference leaflets.

7. AOB

No AOB was raised.

8. Closed Business

The Executive voted unanimously to go into close business to discuss the applicants for the Vice-Chair for Elections and Campaigns Co-option.

9. Date of next meeting - Sunday 3rd March 2024

Meeting closed at 5:47pm.

Appendix 1: Action Points from the last meeting

Action Point	Date Set	Person(s)	Status
Sort out dormant/locked social media accounts	11.6.23	JN	In progress ▾
Write a report from English Council	2.7.23	JN	Not started ▾
Make sure YL RC is on Y&H Exec	6.8.23	JN	In progress ▾
Ask Regions to set up regional YL emails	5.11.23	RCs	In progress ▾
Contact ALDC for info on ALDC's diversity programmes	5.11.23	RF	In progress ▾
Forward on names of active and inactive branches to BDO	3.12.23	RCs	Completed ▾
Recruit reps from branches and societies in the region to the regional executive.	3.12.23	RCs	In progress ▾
Co-opt a Campaigns Officer and Membership Engagement Officer to the regional executive.	3.12.23	RCs	In progress ▾
Find out which seats should be prioritised for campaigning in each region.	04.01.24	RCs	In progress ▾
Draft a funded project proposal for submission to the English Finance and Administration Committee (EFAC).	04.01.24	JN	Not started ▾
Draft a motion regarding antisemitism, based upon the EYL interim policy.	04.01.24	JB	Completed ▾

Appendix 2: Action Points from this meeting

Action Point	Date Set	Person(s)	Status
Get in contact with relevant regional staff member and form a working relationship with them	4.2.24	RCs	Not started ▾
Publish final GM adenda	4.2.24	JN	Not started ▾
Write a presentation for the General Election for the GM	4.2.24	JN	Not started ▾
JN to send JLM a Conference Kit	4.2.24	JN	Not started ▾
JLM, NE and TN to advertise Esher and Walton action day on 2nd March	4.2.24	JLM, NE and TN	Not started ▾
JN to call a vote for the co-option of VCEC	4.2.24	JN	Not started ▾