



ENGLISH YOUNG LIBERALS

EYL Executive 2023 Meeting - 2nd July 2023 - Minutes

Members Present:

<i>JG</i>	James Green (Chairing)	he/him	Co-EYL Chair
<i>JN</i>	Joe Norris (Minuting)	he/him	Co-EYL Chair
<i>MS</i>	Miguel Smith	he/him	Vice-Chair
<i>TM</i>	Tim Macy	he/him	West Midlands Chair

Reps Present:

<i>NA</i>	Noah Allerton	he/him	Campaigns Rep
<i>HJ</i>	Huw James	he/him	Events Rep
<i>JB</i>	James Bliss	he/they	Policy Rep

Apologies:

<i>JNi</i>	Josh Nightingale	he/him	East Midlands Chair
<i>NOW</i>	Nicholas Orford-Williams	he/him	London Chair
<i>HC</i>	Helder Costa	he/him	North East Chair
<i>TS</i>	Tom Sutton	he/him	North West Chair
<i>NE</i>	Nathan Eve	he/him	South Central Chair
<i>TH</i>	Toby Hawkins	he/him	Western Counties Chair

Also Present:

N/A

Absent:

<i>WT</i>	William Tennison	he/him	East of England Chair, Co-Comms Rep
<i>JW</i>	Jack Worrall	he/him	Yorkshire and the Humber Co-Chair
<i>PG</i>	Patrick Gilbert	he/him	Yorkshire and the Humber Co-Chair
<i>SB</i>	Sean Bennett	he/him	Co-Comms Rep

Agenda: [July 2023 Agenda](#)

Meeting opened at 5:00pm.

1. Welcome and apologies (JG)

Apologies were received from JNi, NOW, HC, TS, NE and TH.

2. Action points and matters arising (JN)

See [appendix 1](#)

JN and JG gave verbal updates to the action points.

3. By-Elections Update (JG/JN)

Regarding the Parliamentary by-elections and action days, these have been run by the federal Campaigns Officer, and are being taken over by the YL Staff Member.

EYL's role should be to support these, with the primary focus being Somerton and Frome for the time being.

JN may advertise campaigning in Mid Bedfordshire, due to his relative proximity to the constituency.

4. Plymouth and GE Plans Update (JN)

Plans for GE focussed action days, including the Guerilla Action Days, have been put on hold for the by-elections.

JN is in talks with a contact in Plymouth about a potential future Guerilla Action Day there.

The federal YL GE planning group is due to meet again soon to begin drafting a strategy motion for Newcastle Conference.

5. Newcastle Summer Conference Annual General Meeting (JG/JN)

 Summer GM Dates

JG shares the proposed GM deadlines as per the attached document. He explains that some dates are determined by the constitution, but some are flexible and are at the discretion of the Executive.

JG asks for feedback on the proposed dates. There is general support for the dates.

The Executive voted unanimously to accept the proposed dates.

6. Regional Conference Kits (JG)

 Regional Conference Kits Spending Proposal.pdf

JG presented the proposal for the Regional Conference Kits as above, welcoming opinions from the Exec.

Discussion included:

- Tablecloths could be removed to save money, although they do add to the professionalism of the stand.
- A plan should be devised for the storage and transport of the kits.
 - Storage could be with the EYL Chairs, or with Regional Chairs.
 - Transport could just be delivering one Exec member personally delivering to another.
 - Other options include storing them with regional/local parties, or courier service delivery.
 - JG also floats the idea of purchasing bags to store them in, once we know the dimensions of the items.
 - **Action point:** JG and JN to outline a plan for the storage and transport of the conference kits.
- It is proposed that JN and Harvey Jones (federal Comms) design the kits, and then the Exec reviews them.
- The kits could be used to ask for money (i.e., donate ££ to cover the cost of our stand).

The proposed reallocation of funds meant that each region donates approx £30 from their £50 yearly budget to the cost of the kits, leaving each region with approx £20 in budget. Since most regional chairs were not present, discussion will continue between meetings.

Action point: Exec to discuss the reallocation of funds in Slack.

7. Matters arising from reports (JG/JN)

Due to the short time since the last meeting, all members were deemed to have submitted a “nothing to report” for their report, unless they had specific updates to share.

JB shared an update from Policy Committee. Please refer to [appendix 3](#) for the report.

8. AOB

a. English Council Report

From the meeting of the English Council on the 17th June, the Chairs shall write a report.

Action point: JG and JN to write an English Council report.

9. Date of Next Meeting - Sunday 6th August 2023, 5pm

Meeting closed at 5:22pm.

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Appendix 1: Action Points from Last Meeting

Action Point	Date Set	Person(s)	Status
Complete the regional checklist	Prior to March	RCs	In progress ▾
Ask respective regions for Connect access		RCs	In progress ▾
Create the EYL Style Guide following finalisation of the YL rebrand		JN	In progress ▾
Look into publishing diversity stats of EYL for the next EYL report to EC.	5.3.23	JN	In progress ▾
Finalise a date for the EYL Speaker Event.	5.3.23	JG	In progress ▾
Update the artworked action day guide.	5.3.23	JN	Not started ▾
Explore 'regional conference kits' and report back to the EYL Executive after the local elections.	02.04.23	JG	Completed ▾
Open South East and Devon and Cornwall Chair Co-Options	11.06.23	JG	Completed ▾
Contact Darryl Smalley (YLER from ALDC) to find out more about ALDC's diversity programmes.	11.06.23	JG/JN	Not started ▾
Chairs to write a blog post detailing EYL's successes over the locals, with pictures of the better action days. Submit to LDV and/or the federal YL members' blog.	11.06.23	JN	Not started ▾
Prepare documents for the AGM to come to the July Exec Meeting in line with standing orders.	11.06.23	JG	Completed ▾
Plan an online comms campaign targeting people interested in the by-elections.	11.06.23	JG, JN, WT	Blocked ▾
Discuss phone banking for Mid Beds.	11.06.23	JG, WT	Blocked ▾
Members to request one-on-one meetings with the chairs.	11.06.23	All	Not started ▾

Explore Federal YL pushing for YLers to go for PPC selections.	11.06.23	JG	Not started ▾
Sort out dormant/locked social media accounts.	11.06.23	JN	In progress ▾

Appendix 2: Action Points from This Meeting

Action Point	Date Set	Person(s)	Status
Outline a plan for the storage and transport of the conference kits.	2.07.23	JG & JN	Not started ▾
Discuss the reallocation of funds in Slack.	2.07.23	Exec	Not started ▾
Write a report from English Council	2.07.23	JG & JN	Not started ▾

Appendix 3: Policy Representative Report

Since my last report it has mainly been the case of continuing doing drafting advice for Newcastle and the finalisation of our submissions to federal conference, and so won't bore everyone with another long report.

As always am happy to help anyone or give advice on anything policy related, my email is James.bliss.ld@gmail.com