



ENGLISH YOUNG LIBERALS

Executive Meeting - January 2024 - Minutes

Members Present:

<i>JN</i>	Joe Norris	he/him	EYL Chair
<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>TJ</i>	Tom Jordan	he/him	East of England Regional Chair
<i>NE</i>	Nathan Eve	he/him	South Central Regional Chair
<i>TN</i>	Tom Nevill	he/him	South East Regional Chair
<i>TM</i>	Tim Macy	he/him	West Midlands Regional Chair
<i>ZM</i>	Zeb Mackintosh	he/him	Western Counties Regional Chair
<i>GS</i>	George Sykes	he/him	Yorkshire and the Humber Regional Chair
<i>JMN</i>	Josh Nightingale	he/him	East Midlands Regional Chair
<i>TS</i>	Tom Sutton	he/him	North West Regional Chair
<i>TC</i>	Thom Champion	he/him	North East Regional Chair

Apologies:

<i>TO</i>	Todd Olive	he/him	Devon and Cornwall Regional Chair
<i>JLM</i>	Josh Lucas Mitte	he/him	London Regional Chair

Also present:

<i>JL</i>	Janey Little	she/her	Federal YL Chair
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Agenda: [January 2024 Agenda](#)

Meeting opened at 5:00pm.

1. Welcome and apologies

JN welcomes the Exec 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 ongoing included:

Action Point	Date Set	Person(s)	Status
Let Lucas North and Harvey Jones know of any branches or societies failing to add the required imprint on their social media	3.12.23	All	Completed ▾
Forward on names of active and inactive branches to BDO	3.12.23	RCs	In progress ▾

3. Elections Committee Update

a. General Election Framework



- i. JL introduced herself to the Exec and raised the General Election Framework as developed by the federal Elections Committee.
- ii. JL gave guidance for how Regional Chairs should be approaching action days and campaigning in regards to the General Election.
- iii. The framework also has other information for internal use, including the roles that various people and bodies within YL will be fulfilling.
- iv. JL also shared the YL Events Planner, which is a shared doc to input all of YL's events into, to prevent clashes and improve communication.

b. Finding where to campaign

- i. It was highlighted that LDHQ will be releasing a map to advise activists on where to go campaigning. This can be used to guide where we send people.
- ii. **Action point:** Regional Chairs to find out which seats should be prioritised for campaigning in each region.
- iii. Members discussed the issues around General Election and Local Election planning in regards to targeting within each region and area.

- iv. In some areas it may be appropriate to campaign in held seats and advanced seats.
- v. Campaigning in moving forward seats should be done earlier in the year to allow for advanced seat prioritisation later.
- vi. JL and JN summarised.

4. Regional Chair support

- a. **Goals Grid review** -  Goals Grid - Regional Chairs (Noted)
- b. **Additional Regional Executive Roles** -  Regional Executive Role Ideas (Noted)

5. Finances & Potential funded project ideas

a. Potential funded project ideas

- i. JN explained that the Party in England was offering funding for a specific project that could be undertaken by EYL, as proposed by the Exec.
- ii. Opportunities around specific project ideas either funded by Lib Dem Regional Parties or Young Liberals (Federally or English) were highlighted.
- iii. The potential value-for-money issues with having a project-focused approach to campaigning as a state-level organisation were noted.
- iv. Project ideas raised included developing literature for campaigning in student areas, and for an experimental paid-for digital advertising campaign targeted at youth and student voters.
- v. **Action point:** Draft a funded project proposal for submission to the English Finance and Administration Committee (EFAC).

6. Executive Regulations - Draft: EYL Executive Regulations

- a. The Exec voted to support this unanimously.

7. Committee Regulations - Draft: EYL Committee Regulations

- a. The Chair moved to the next item.

8. General Meeting - Winter 2024 GM Timetable

- a. **Vote to call a hybrid GM at 5pm-6pm, Friday 9th February 2024 at YL Winter Conference Sheffield**
 - i. The Exec supported this unanimously.
- b. **Items for the GM**
 - i. There was general support for the agenda of the GM to include: executive scrutiny, business motions, and a GE briefing.

9. Vote to open co-option for Vice-Chair for Elections and Campaigns -

Vice-Chair for Elections and Campaigns Co-Option Notice and Timetable

- a. The Exec gave their thanks to Noah Allerton for his wonderful work as VCEC, and previously as Campaigns Rep.
- b. The Exec voted in favour of opening the co-option for VCEC along the agreed timetable.

10. Questions on reports - January 2024 Reports

- a. **Action point:** JB to draft a motion regarding antisemitism, based upon the EYL interim policy.
- b. **Action point:** JN to call a vote to submit the antisemitism policy to YL Conference.
- c. Main party regions are organising socials at Federal Conference in York - JN encouraged Regional Chairs to go along and support these.

11. AOB

- a. Future Exec meetings to move from Google Meets to Zoom.

12. Closed Business

- a. The Exec voted unanimously to go into close business to discuss the applicants for the English Council Rep Co-option.

13. Date of next meeting - Sunday 4th February 2024

Meeting closed at 6:20pm.

Appendix 1: Action Points from the last meeting

Action Point	Date Set	Person(s)	Status
Update the artworked action day guide	5.3.23	JN	Cancelled ▾
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 ▾
Role holders to get in touch to work on their job responsibilities, checking in with JN on these	5.11.23	All	Completed ▾
Add Executive members to new Trello workspace	7.11.23	JN	Completed ▾
Let Lucas North and Harvey Jones know of any branches or societies failing to add the required imprint on their social media	3.12.23	All	Completed ▾
Forward on names of active and inactive branches to BDO	3.12.23	RCs	In progress ▾
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 ▾
Review and finalise executive regulations.	3.12.23	All	Completed ▾
Open vote on the interim policy motion.	3.12.23	JN	Completed ▾

Clarify the situation around ALDC group membership.	3.12.23	JN, RF and TN	Completed ▾
Open vote on North East Chair Co-option	3.12.23	JN	Completed ▾

Appendix 2: Action Points from this meeting

Action Point	Date Set	Person(s)	Status
Find out which seats should be prioritised for campaigning in each region.	04.01.24	RCs	Not started ▾
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	Not started ▾
Call a vote to submit the antisemitism policy to YL Conference.	04.01.24	JN	Not started ▾