

Meeting of the English Young Liberals Executive

29th March 2020

Present: Jack Worrall, Kian Hearnshaw, Thom Campion, Eleanor Kelly, Billy Thomas, Chris Small, Simon Mansfield, Luke Jeffrey, Stephanie Holmes, Alex Howarth, Guy Dabby-Joory, Thomas Gravatt.

Guests: Alison Rouse (Vice-Chair of the English Party), Tara Copeland (Chair of the Young Liberals)

1. Welcome
2. The Young Liberals Covid-19 plan (Tara Copeland)
 - a. The summer conference is likely to be cancelled – not publicised as an official decision as yet. However, constitutionally an AGM will need to go ahead. Conference committee are organising things.
 - b. The executive are trying to maintain engagement through things like the Discord server in place of campaign work and the conferences.
 - c. Looking to host webinars on mental health and technology training, and on digital engagement. Including a webinar with Layla Moran shortly.
 - d. The Young Liberals are teaming up with the parties' pastoral officer to work on party care during and after the Covid-19 crisis.
3. Regional Communication (Alison Rouse)
 - a. Alison intends to work with the Young Liberals in order to build institutional memory and also develop communication.
 - b. The potential for some Young Liberals' only training sessions, specialised to the same skill levels and coming from the same point of view.
4. Training
 - a. A discussion on training was held, discussing what assistance regional chairs need in order to give training as well as who to approach, and the method of advertising.
 - b. Thom to get Jack the Points of Contact for regional Chairs and Alex.
 - c. Regional Chairs want to see young issue specific training from Federal YL
 - d. Regional Chairs who don't have the time would like to see training on the more wider skills delivered by their region/ALDC
 - e. Some regional chairs are comfortable organising their own training
 - f. Regions to let Alex know what training is happening and Dan to ask for more updates from regions
 - g. Main party regions to make sure they tell YL regional chairs about training.
5. Reports
 - a. Jack Worrall – Chair, Jack would like to work with the new committee chairs to get them working properly.
 - b. Thom Campion – Conference Committee, Thom has met with the YL Conference committee. They made the decision to hold off on a conference. The booking for Birmingham has been moved to November. Online conferencing has been discussed and Jack is working on a report.
 - c. Billy – Campaigns, due to a mixture of Coronavirus and the lack of a Federal Campaigns officer, other than a Freshers' campaign, campaigns have been hard to organise.
 - d. Alex – Policy, Simon and Eleanor sit on the committee. The committee hasn't met.
 - e. Guy – The Communications Committee hasn't met. Guy would prefer to step down from the position and hand it off to someone else.
6. English Council Representatives
 - a. We need three more representatives.

- i. Simon, Billy and Thom have been chosen to sit on the English Council.
7. Any Other Business
 - a. None

Meeting Closed.