

Apologies: Frazer Clarke, Maggie Coulthard

**1. Minutes & action points of the last meeting and matters arising:** minutes agreed.

**2. Reports from officers and correspondence**

- a. **Chair:** The quiz in November went well – there was a good turnout, and there was a consensus it should be repeated in 2021. 50 euro was raised for Branch funds. It was agreed to post a follow-up on facebook, thanking everyone for attending
- b. **Secretary:** Nothing to report not covered elsewhere.
- c. **Treasurer:** The Treasurer reported the account is in credit. The payment to the London mayoral campaign has been made. Some items delayed because of the pandemic will be carried forward until next year.
- d. **Membership secretary:** There are still problems connecting to membersnet. The Membership Secretary will contact LI again.

**4. Branch meetings and other events in 2020/21**

**17 December:** It was proposed to organise a branch meeting on 17 December, to discuss the possible outcome of the UK-EU trade negotiations, as well as a possible motion for the LI GC meeting in January 2021 on a potential US-UK trade deal. It was agreed there was a need to hold more political discussions, and possible topics such as the UK approach to development were suggested for future meetings. It was also suggested holding a meeting to provide training on writing and presenting motions to encourage more members to present motions for discussion and submission for future LI GC meetings.

**2021:** It was agreed to hold a John Fitzmaurice lecture in January or February 2021, depending on the availability of speakers, and it was agreed to approach Alastair Campbell – and an invitation will be raft a letter. There should also be a general business meeting in January or February, depending on the date of the JF lecture.

**5. LI:**

There were no matters outstanding.

**6. Sister parties**

The Sister Parties will be approached regarding the possibility of holding joint meetings. The Circolo agreement has not yet been signed, because of delays caused by the continuing restrictions. The future of BL involvement will be discussed at the next Executive meeting.

**7. Communications**

An edition of Germinal is planned for the New Year. It is hoped to start working on the website next month. The survey will be finalised and sent around for final comments.

**8. Next meeting 6 January 2021**