

NLLETS Restart Steering Group

Meeting held on Friday 8th Sept 2017 at Golders Hill Park Cafe
present: Elisabeth Hanss, Mary Herivel, Mary Fee, Apologies

Discussion

We looked at some of the history of NLLETS, various crises, and the fact that former members are asking about getting it going again, preferring to have an account on NLLETS to the offer of an account on Londonwide LETS.

Noting that the former wordpress site NLLETS.co.uk no longer exists, this is a good reason to re-adopt the earlier local exchange site NLLETS.org.uk, and that people involved with running the CES system had all resigned, with the exception of Mardi. We feel that we should take all practical steps towards this, talk to, and perhaps have another meeting with people willing to be involved in running a revived NLLETS, and then confirm the way forward at an AGM.

Agreed Actions

1. Mary will talk to Mardi about the CES, and integrating any data from there to update the Local Exchange NLLETS website - <http://www.nllets.org.uk>. *
2. In order to relaunch we would need to organise a social. Elisabeth's flat, when re-organised, has a sitting room large enough for small socials, and for larger events, we could hire the Community Room next to Highgate Library, which we had successfully used for a recent event, at which Elisabeth sang some songs.
3. For larger events, we could include stalls, some with natural therapy, and if we are planning a larger event, Mary could contact Carol Weatherstone, who used to run small healing festivals in Wood Green and may be able to help organise such an event.
4. Another idea was that Mary Herivel could approach the phone coop to see if someone can give a presentation at an event - it seems that if we can have an event with some "content" this will help us to attract people to attend.
5. Mary Fee has contact with the Restart Party people - <https://therestartproject.org/parties/> - who specialise in repairing electronic gadgets, and we could either have a combined event with them and/or do something similar, possibly with sewing and mending.
6. Elisabeth Hanss will talk to other musicians to see who else is willing to perform and discuss dates with them, and get dates for a pre-Christmas social/AGM.

Follow-up

* Mary was able to meet up with Mardi on Thursday 14th September, and brought him up to date with developments - he is willing to come to a session at Elisabeth's place on Sunday 17th September from 12noon to re-organise Elisabeth's flat, where we can have further informal discussions about the way forward.