Minutes - Norfolk PSC Committee - 12 May 2025

Present: Andrea, Brian, Caroline, Luisa, Nilu (slightly late)

Apologies: Claire, Mary, Stefan

Item	Discussion	Action
1.	 Don't buy Apartheid Andrea said we now need to get the material from National (Leaflets, Posters, Letters) and design a sign-up sheet for places and companies that are agreeing to not stock Israeli goods. Luisa volunteered to do this. Caroline and Maryam went to head in the Clouds and gave then some information on the campaign and some cans of Gaza Cola as a Coke alternative. Head in the Clouds agreed to put up the leaflets and also to sign the letter once we have it. Caroline also bought a couple of Keffiyehs. Andrea added someone new (whom she met at Norwich Transformed) to the Don't buy Apartheid group on WhatsApp. All the materials are on the National website, but Andrea said she doesn't know whether we can order them or need to print them ourselves – Luisa put a link to this in the chat. We have the leaflets, so we only need the poster for shops that have signed up and the letter for shops and companies to sign. Andrea suggested to add a map to the website which shows all the shops and companies which have signed up – might ask Beren to help with this. 	Luisa, DbA group
2.	 Coach to Nakba Demonstration – 17.5.25 Andrea said we have sold 47 tickets (48 incl. Rafael) so far. Andrea offered free tickets to the two men from Gaza we met the previous weekend. Brian said that if they do turn up on the day, someone else can take the train (which we will cover). 	
3.	 Picnic in the Park – 31.5.25 In Chapelfield Park – Claire Hamburger is still looking for more musicians, but Luisa said we do not need very many – music is only one thing that we will have on the day. One young woman and her friends will be playing, and she is also planning a concert for Palestine in Waterloo Park on August 10. If we don't have stalls but picnic blankets, we do not need to contact the council for permission; Claire H was contacting them regarding the music aspect. Andrea said we can bring camping chairs and fold-up tables for certain activities like henna, etc. Other things we need: Food: Salads, Crisps, Dips, and sharing plates (preferably cold); Cakes, Biscuits, etc. and reusable crockery and cutlery Activities: Henna & Facepainting (ask Nilu), Andrea to contact the 'chocolate lady', things from Hobbycraft for Tatreez, Paper and ribbons for messages to put up in trees, and other themed activities (Luisa), ask P4P to join us and bring the clothesline. 	Nilu, Andrea, Luisa, everyone
4.	Treasurer's Report	

	 £959 in the bank and £10 in cash; £107 more to come in from the event yesterday. Caroline asked in Gt Yarmouth Trades Council should be affiliating – Claire H said that they would, but nothing has happened yet. There was also some trouble with setting Luisa up as a new bank signatory and Caroline will try again. Andrea yet to send her details to Caroline. Caroline said that we need to wait to see how much we need to contribute to the coach and whether to get more merch – Caroline says we have a lot. Someone appears to have donated to Stop the War instead of PSC for the coach. 	Caroline
5.	Public Meeting – 24.5.25	
	 Format: short speeches about the current situation in Gaza and different ways people can get involved. Focus on different entry points for interested activists not just direct action → then form break-out groups for these different approaches. □ Disruptive Action - Brian to contact Jen ○ Media, Comms, and Administrative Support - Publicity ○ Don't Buy Apartheid (Divestment) & Boycotts (cultural & sporting) - Bank Better Network ○ General Events - our demos, stalls etc ○ Fundraising - bigger things together with other groups Luisa to officially invite Clive to the Public Meeting via email to his office (needs to be someone from his constituency). 	Brian, Andrea, Luisa, everyone
6.	AGM – 21.6.25	
	 Andrea to contact the guy from the Trauma Centre to give a talk at the AGM. George from National might come along as well. We need to ask for Nominations beforehand (in a formal manner: website, newsletter, socials, etc.) and we need to announce it at the Public Meeting. Only members can vote so we need to stress this when publicising and also link to how to become a member. 'Formal Nominations' should be on the code of practise → Caroline to look this up. Nilu suggested inviting the refugees from Gaza whom we met at the event on Sunday – Caroline in touch with Hugh about going to the Brook Hotel to see them. We could invite Clive to the AGM too. Luisa left. 	Luisa, Caroline, Andrea,
7.	AOB	
	 Brian has green light to speak on behalf of Norfolk PSC at the DPAC meeting in Norwich on the 17.5. – if Brian does go to London too then Andrea will write a speech for someone to read out on our behalf. Caroline left. Luisa to send Infographics to National from now on – directly to George by email so they put them on the website 	Brian, Andrea, Luisa
8.	Next Meeting: 24.5.2025 (after Public Meeting)	