



Newsletter

Dear all Enactus Leicester members,

As we launch into our Summer Action, we thought it would be beneficial to update you all as to the fantastic work we have done so far and our plans for the future with our very first newsletter! We also have some new innovative ideas coming through that we feel deserve some exposure! So without further ado...

Our team

As the new Enactus year drew upon us, we have had to say goodbye to some valued members and also welcomed a few fresh faces! As the new Enactus Leicester committee, we would like to say a massive thank you to those departing for their tireless work and contribution to expanding and improving Enactus Leicester over the years. We will look to continue their work and mission, whilst putting our own spin on things! Here is what our outgoing Team-Leader and Voce-President had to say of their time at Enactus. **Mohamed**, our outgoing Vice President said of his time in Enactus:

'When I look back at university, most of my favourite memories are of Enactus. I got my internship and graduate job both through Enactus. Never did I think that I would be chairing meetings with managers of FTSE 250 companies. The experience has been unique.'

Elena, our outgoing Team-leader, had this to say of her time,

'I'm really glad I chose Enactus as the one thing to take part in outside of my course. Three years later and I'm definitely convinced it's the best route I could have chosen to develop my skills whilst at University. Not to mention, the rewarding side



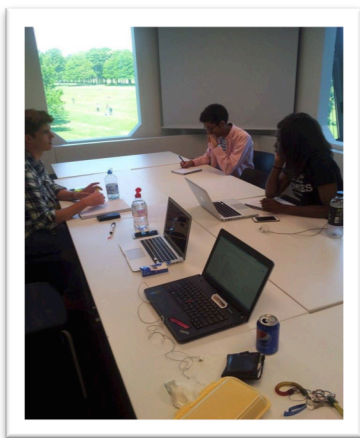


of working to empower those in need, and joining a network of like-minded students all over the UK!

However, it is not all doom and gloom! We have now officially completed the handover for our new committee, and have already began work for the team. Details of our new committee can be found below,

- Team-Leader: Kash Chundoo
- Vice-President: Naomi Lapite
- Corporate Relations Executive: Sheen Chin
- Treasurer and Farmer's Market Project Leader: Tom Perks
- Webmaster: Priyesh Mavji
- Electronic Waste Project Leader: Alissa Huang Qingyuan
- Operation Comilla Project Leader: David Steven Sanchez Perilla
- Project Body Project Leader: Priyasha Vijendra
- PatchTogether Project Leader: Tamir Ahmed Choudhury

Our first act as a new committee was to begin our handover for the next Enactus year. Handover covered topics of sustainability, finances and future plans. All handovers have now been successfully completed, and we will forward to seeing some great work being done over summer. Following our first meeting as a new committee,



we have put in place a strong summer action plan that we all pledged commitment to. We have made headway in communicating remotely over summer, with the first batch of Skype meetings completed. This is a challenge we are relishing, but any input would always be appreciated. On a closing note, work has begun on our new, improved website! Stay Tuned!





Summer action

This summer saw some of our members attend some thought provoking and informative events ran by Enactus UK. Our Team Leader, Kash and Vice-President, Naomi, attended Team Leader Training in Surrey hosted by Unilever. The event was action packed, and saw the team dealing with some complex Enactus concepts, such as, Theory of success and crisis management.



Here are a few words from **Naomi** about the event:



'My favourite thing about Team Leader Training was the opportunity to get to know people from other Enactus teams better. Strengthening our relationship with team within the Midlands region and the rest of the country will benefit us all, both through the good we can do by sharing best practice, and the personal development aspect, using joint training events.'

This summer also saw some the team attend Summer Action Training in Leeds, hosted by ASDA. The event provided some useful insight on how best to manage our workload over summer, and how we can hit the make the most of our time to provide the foundation for a great academic year. Here are a few words from our Team-leader, **Kash**, on the event,

'The event really allowed us to focus our attention on some key issues for the team, and provided us with some food for thought for the future. It was also great to see how other Enactus teams approach their summer action.'





Summer Action Awards

However, all of our hard work will not be for nothing! Enactus UK are currently offering two awards for summer action, 'Summer Champion' and 'Most Improved Team'.

'Summer Champion' will be awarded to the team who has shown to have engaged in the most action over the summer. In turn, the 'Most Improved Team' will be awarded to the team who has made the largest leap forward from the beginning of the Enactus year in April.



As a team, we will be working tirelessly towards these goals to ensure that our summer will be the best one so far!

Projects

Operation Comilla

Operation Comilla began summer with a clear mantra and summer action plan, and we are pleased to announce that the Project has begun to make some positive progress. Operation Comilla has made significant headway towards developing their filter and establishing stronger links with Project Partners both locally and internationally. This has been accompanied with a strengthening of our existing ties within our University's engineering department. Moreover, one of our members, Shehzad, a Bangladesh native, is currently in the country talking to potential Project Partners. Stay tuned for some exciting Operation Comilla/TedX events taking place in Winter!

Electronic-Waste

Electronic-Waste is currently conducting research and development into the viability of their project through extensive investigation into their chosen field of recycling electronic waste. The Project began summer with a clear plan, and has not deviated since. Their principle aims were to acquire an international Project Partner and to refine their





prototype for stripping copper wire. Hopefully, we can set the foundations for a solid year ahead!

Farmers' Market

Tom, Project Leader of Farmers' Market, is working on maintaining our existing relationships with our Farmers over summer! Furthermore, he is looking to expand the scale of our on-campus markets to a much larger scale with the aid of the Students' Union. The plan is to expand the size of our Farmers' Market to include more farmers and to hold future markets at more strategic times of the year, e.g. Freshers' Fair. More info to follow! Stay tuned!

PatchTogether

PatchTogether is currently in a transitional stage in their life cycle. We are currently trying to identify and partner with local organisations within the Leicestershire community to partner with. The business and financial model, however, remains the same. Owing to this, we feel the Project can really hit the ground running given the right resources!

Project Body

The team at Project Body are currently looking to expand their existing programme to include more interactive elements for their school visits. This potentially includes an interactive game for example. Moreover, the team are looking to consolidate their ties with local schools within Leicestershire and put in place some dates for school visits come the start of the academic year.

Support network

At Enactus Leicester, we are supported by a team of six business advisors, professionals with expertise in various fields. Our chief goal regarding the Business advisors this year is to involve them at a ground level with Projects, as opposed to speaking to the committee alone. Our larger goal is to have our members gain a wider appreciation of the scope of Enactus, allowing them to develop a greater appreciation of the scope of Enactus, as we are part of a much larger community! Our first steps to achieve this will be to identify concrete





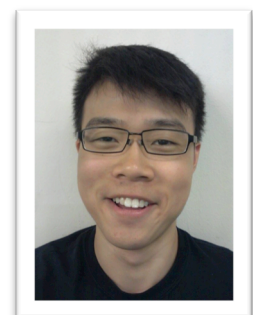
ways in which Business advisors can contribute their expertise, building a synergy between Project members, C.R.E. and Business advisor. Details of our Business advisors can be found below,

- **Haytham Al Sayed:** Project Implementer at SIG
- **Claire Fisher:** Talent Acquisition Manager at Enterprise Rent-A-Car
- **Simon Fisher:** Account Manager at Enterprise Rent-A-Car
- **James Jeffries-Chung:** Trainee Solicitor at Clifford Chance
- **Joanna Major:** Business Development Manager at Royal Mail
- **Tom McGee:** Midlands Talent Officer at Teach First

Here are a few words from our new Corporate Relations Executive, Sheen, on his new role!

'I am thoroughly enjoying the varied and exciting challenges of my new role. Being the Corporate Relations Executive involves asking yourself: What does

this project need to run more efficiently? Which Business advisor has the expertise to move a Project forward? A cohesive relationship between Project Leader, C.R.E. and Business advisor is paramount for Business Advisor contribution to be maximised'



Until next time...

We do hope you have enjoyed our very first Enactus Leicester newsletter! We will be regularly publishing newsletter over the course of the year, so stay tuned! We will be toying with the layout over the next few issues, so we would welcome any feedback you have on it. Until then, we look forward to continue on the great progress already made and to persistently challenge ourselves to make Enactus Leicester the best it can be!

Sincerely,
The Executive Committee

