About OpenUK 2020

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Develop & Sustain
UK Leadership in
Open Technology

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To develop and sustain UK Leadership in Open Technology:

• Open Source Software
• Open Hardware
• Open Data

First organisation actively uniting these
How is OpenUK achieving this?

• Building a cohesive, visible and loud community around Open Technology in the UK by uniting people across existing projects and communities

• Influencing Legal and Policy to make sure the UK is a great place to do Open

• Building Education and Learning in Open Technology
Building a visible and loud community around Open Technology in the UK by:

• uniting people across existing communities

• Creating projects through workstreams with deliverables, mailing lists, blogs, podcasts

• events culminating in Open UK Week, 19 October 2020
Influencing Legal and Policy to make sure the UK is a great place to do Open

• Invited to speak with UK Trade on aspects of treaty negotiations
• Future Leaders working on review of Government terms to create a report and a Government Seminar in the autumn
• Review of new laws and policies as these emerge
• Joint report on UK and Open with OSOR
Future Leaders Group

- Group of individuals who are interested in open technologies and who want to learn more and develop skills in this area.
- From a wide range of backgrounds across technology, intellectual property, outsourcing, procurement, data, coding and innovation.
- Includes private practice lawyers and in-house counsel who work in the technology sector and related fields.
- Supports OpenUK’s Legal & Policy Committee’s aims and activities and is supervised in projects by that Committee.
- Participate in weekly training sessions from global experts in Open Source – Friday noon BST, details in events, all welcome, free of charge, recorded and available on YouTube.
- Reviewing public procurement terms in the UK leading to “recommendations report” and Government Seminar.
- Future plans for events both social and educational.
Building education and Learning in Open Technology

- Kids’ Competition – 47 schools participating, supported by Red Hat and GitHub, Imogen Heap’s generous participation. Hope to encourage girls in particular but all kids into tech and to learn about Open
- “Digital Kids Camp” 5 week online course and e-zine twice a week on creative commons with a distribution of kit to 3000 kids
- Curriculum – working on GCSE and Scottish equivalent for 2022
- Apprenticeship scheme - working on launching a scheme in 2022
- Code camp for Young Kids – finding partner to add “Open” to what is taught
- University Group – 3 day Professors Open Source Software Education training for up to 30 Universities as part of OpenUK Week in 2020 or 2021, creating ambassadors in Universities, sharing teaching tools and creating collaboration around open technology
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Registration: openuk.uk/kidscompetition
Closing date 17 May
Course from May & Competition September
How is OpenUK being run?

• CEO – (paid part time) working full time – leading, speaking and inspiring
• Admin resource – (paid) 2-3 days a a week
• Exec team – (pro bono) part time - GC, VP Comms, CFO, CTO, VP Dev (fundraising)
• Board of Volunteers – senior representatives of the community appointed for 2 years and moving to Board elections in 2021
• Committees of Volunteers running work streams, focused on 3 key areas: Community, Legal and Policy, Learning

Board in place for 2 years and move to elected Board end of 2021. Voting structure currently being worked on and developing a Supporter package for individuals.
How is OpenUK being funded?

- Membership – being replaced by Supporter status for individuals
- Innovate UK Funding for participation in Open health project, Dito
- Partnerships including Sponsorship and Donations
  - General Donations: Microsoft, Google, Arm, Google
  - In Kind Sponsors: OneBite ad agency, Moorcrofts legal, Fieldfischer use of rooms and staff, Civic web development and support, Garner Osborne awards trophies
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