



WIKIMEDIA
UK

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Formation

August 2008	Discussion began to reform chapter
October 2008	First board elected
November 2008	Incorporated as Wiki UK Ltd
January 2009	Received chapter approval
February 2009	Opened bank account; started accepting members
Today	Have 18 members and £300 income
26 April 2009	Will hold first AGM



Successes

- Kept on track and met deadlines, despite delays
- Opened a bank account - one step further than previous attempt!
- Open and transparent in everything done, with lots of opportunities for participation
- Wikipedia Loves Art at the Victoria and Albert
- Copyright consultation



Difficulties

- Length of time to get WMF and ChapCom approval, plus lack of communication
- Explaining nature of WMF-Chapter relationship to bank
- Delays getting recognized as a charity for tax purposes



Plans

- Win Wikimania 2010 bid in two weeks!
- Hold AGM in three weeks
- Membership drive
- Begin fundraising
- Begin project work



Expectations

- Get ideas for projects
- Learn what's worked and what hasn't for other chapters
- Improve relationships between WMUK, other chapters and the WMF