Confirmed minutes of recently merged Colinton Amenity Association (CAA) Executive Committee and Colinton Community Conservation Trust (CCCT) Committee Meeting, 22nd October 2025 in The Colinton Inn.

Present: Tim Lawson (Chair); Iain Gotts (Vice Chair/Planning Convenor); Gillian Battison (Treasurer); Wendy Evans (Secretary); Simon Lloyd; Paula McClements; Andrew Paterson.

1. Apologies for Absence: John Barry; Alex Robertson; Tolibjon Tursunov; Siobhán Watts.

2. Approval of Minutes of the last meeting (23rd September 2025)

Minutes had been circulated prior to the meeting and were taken as a true record.

Action: Wendy Evans

3. Matters Arising

Matters arising from the meeting of 23rd September 2025 will be discussed at the next Executive Committee meeting.

4. AGM 2025

The Kennedy Lounge at Colinton Bowling Club is booked for 18th November 2025, from 7pm to 9pm with the meeting scheduled for 7.30pm. **Action: Wendy Evans**

- To encourage attendance, CAA Members will be invited to attend either in person or over a Zoom link. Invitations to the meeting, to this effect, with an agenda attached, will be distributed to members in ample time beforehand.
- A trial run of Zoom may be required prior to the AGM. **Action: Andrew Paterson**
- CAA will join Zoom for the minimum one month to facilitate a meeting longer than forty minutes. **Action: Gillian Battison**
- The AGM Agenda will be spruced up, listing CAA's successes in 2025 and projects for 2026. **Action: Wendy Evans**
- Members whose invitations have to be hand delivered/posted will be asked to supply an email address for future correspondence as this method of delivery has become unsustainable. **Action: Wendy Evans**
- Unconfirmed Minutes of the 2024 AGM to be circulated to the Executive Committee. **Action: Wendy Evans**
- A copy of the Trustees Annual Report and Accounts 2025 will be forwards to those members who confirm their attendance. **Action: Gillian Battison; Wendy Evans**
- Gillian Battison will stand down as Treasurer.
- CCCT is now fully incorporated into CAA. The final paperwork will be complete by the end of November 2025. **Action: Simon Lloyd**
- A quorum of 25 will be required for constitutional changes.
- New Committee Members will be welcomed. The role of dedicated Conveners within the Executive Committee will be dropped, allowing individuals to deal with the tasks most fitting their skills and interests.
- John Barry and Simon Lloyd will be elected.
- Tim Lawson and Gillian Battison are due for re-election.

5. Colinton Magazine

All articles and advertisements are with the magazine designer, Eduardo Itturalde. First draft is due back on Thursday, 23rd October. Paula asked that the Executive Committee read it carefully and return all necessary amendments to communications@colinton-amenity.org.uk by Monday 27th October for collation and forwarding to the designer. The printer, *J Thomson Colour Printers Ltd*, has been advised to expect the final artwork before the end of the month; a final proof-read will be required and hard copy delivery should be 7th November. **Action: All**

6. Conveners' Reports were not requested for this meeting

7. Any Other Competent Business

- Andrew advised that the electricity supply for floodlighting of the sycamore tree in The Triangle Garden has been disconnected at source, and that there are no outstanding bills for this supply or its disconnection.
- The ownership of the CAA website was passed to CAA through secretary@colinton-amenity.org.uk on 21st October. Mohira Tursunov was thanked again for bringing the website to fruition. Work should begin on an update after delivery of *Colinton Magazine* in November. The Executive Committee will be asked for comment after the initial updates and the 'under construction' wording will be removed upon completion.
  Action: Wendy Evans; Paula McClements, Siobhan Watts
- Paula advised that Cllr Rust has responded to a request as to the ownership of railings at the top of Cuddies Lane which are in dire need of paint. City of Edinburgh Council (CEC) can find no trace of ownership so have no objection to CAA painting them. Remo Margiotta of Dantes Restaurant, where the railings are situated, has no objections to the repaint. Work could commence in spring 2026. **Action: Tim Lawson; Paula McClements**

N**ext meeting**: 20th January 2026.