

Note: these minutes are “draft” until formally accepted at the AGM 2027. However, they were circulated on 9 April to all AGM attendees and no requests for change were received by the deadline of 23 April so have been tacitly accepted.

Chair:	Eilidh Murray	Minutes:	John Hartley
--------	---------------	----------	--------------

Attendees:	Adrian Williams, Jay Hoffman, John Ackers, Julia Williams, Keith Macfarlane, Marcus Schodorf, Tom Bogdanowicz, Nick Kocharhook, Sue Marris
Apologies:	Alison Dines, Amir Shamsuddin, Rachael Swynnerton, Steve Knattress

Item	Topic / Action	Action:
1	The Chair welcomed all present to the meeting and thanked them for coming	
2	Minutes of last AGM (2025) Approved and will now be published as such on the CI website	John H
3	Matters arising - Constitution change - implemented - Coordinator’s verbal report - published - Cost of website hosting - supplier now changed - Treasurer’s report - published	
4	Coordinator’s report. Eilidh gave her coordinators report comprising the following topics: Last year’s AGM Was held in June; busy this June due to 50th birthday celebrations hence this earlier date Some data of what we’ve been doing in the past year 8 Meetings with officers 4 meetings with Rowena and team 12 monthly meetings - One Christmas social - One AGM 8 led rides 6 outreach events (not linked to campaigns) 10 newsletters - trying to do them monthly - don’t always succeed ! 1,000+ Posts/reposts on Bluesky: 8 posts on Instagram Main campaigns Finsbury Park/C50 and Clerkenwell Road and Market Road Several events at FP to - Suggest quick wins for Islington Council - Leaflet to passing cyclists and pedestrians and asking them to sign petition - Organised ride-rounds with local Transport leads, MPs; invited GLA members - working with sister groups in Hackney and Haringey Successes Finally seeing the consultation for Market Road; finally getting joined up LNs on Essex Road Ongoing work - elections on 7 May - focus on FP/C50 - more ride-rounds with GLA members, MPs and new councillors post 7 May; - continue focus on Clerkenwell Road particularly as Camden Council has nearly completed its work meaning the gap in the E/W route is all Islington and TfL failure to act	John H

	• support for LN rollout across Islington • deliver celebrations for our 50th (launch of exhibition, family Bike the Borough Boundaries, ceilidh and special merch) • Festival of Cycling events in September Thanks Committee members and other volunteers who give so much time to get things done - particularly to Steve for his videos which make such a difference to our online and web presence The Town Hall for providing a meeting room for us on a regular basis Our anonymous donors who have given so generously The LCC head office team for their support and to that most marvellous invention of 1817, the bicycle, which gives us all so much fun and freedom. More thanks Keith proposed a vote of thanks to Eilidh, which was roundly supported.	
5	Treasurer's report • The Treasurer's Report and Accounts which had previously been circulated to all registered attendees by email (see below). • To be published on website.	John
6	Election of Management Committee • This was conducted by Keith M. It was proposed that a vote for all Officers and Committee Members should be taken, and this was accepted by all meeting attendees. The applicants having been correctly proposed and seconded, (see separate sheet) the committee was duly elected as follows: • Officers: ▪ Coordinator: Eilidh Murray ▪ Treasurer: Amir Shamsuddin ▪ Secretary: John Hartley • Committee members: ▪ Steve Knattress ▪ Jay Hoffman ▪ Marcus Schodorf ▪ Nick Kocharhook	
8	AoB • Eilidh proposed a vote of thanks to retiring committee member Alice.	
9	There being no further business, the AGM finished at 18:35	

Cycle Islington 2025/26 Accounts + Report**1/Apr/2025 to 31/Mar/2026**

Income and Expenses

AGM

	Expense	Income
2026 Hire	£355.00	
Drinks	£236.47	
Food	£415.05	
Other	£53.04	
Takings		£617.60
Sub-totals	£1,059.56	£617.60

Campaigns

	Expense	Income
Kids Run + Other	£271.43	
Finsbury Park Junction Flyers	£51.27	
Sub-totals	£322.70	

Ongoing Campaigning and Fundraising

	Expense	Income
Donations		£1,266.78
-- Ride London Marshalling		£180.00
Xmas Refreshments	£51.75	
Website Hosting	£222.88	
Sub-totals	£274.63	£1,446.78

	Expense	Income
Overall Totals	£1,656.89	£2,064.38

Balances

Opening Balance 1/Apr/2025: **£3,125.82**Closing Balance 31/Mar/2026: **£3,533.31**

Treasurer's Report

We have had a strong year for donations both direct and via marshalling activities, while our campaigning has again been very volunteer rather than materials focused, thus leaving us with a stronger balance year-on-year.

Our key infrastructure campaign has continued on improving Finsbury Park Junction, for which we've incurred costs printing flyers, while other work has been responding to the council directly and raising awareness through rides, which didn't incur monetary costs.

We have continued our ongoing general awareness raising and outreach campaigns, such as a stall at the LCC replacement "Ride London" event, a stall at the Islington Kids Run for which we funded drinks, and also at Gillespie park and Wray Crescent. Regular miscellaneous costs include refreshments at the Xmas meeting and website hosting, the bulk of which has now been paid upfront for 3 years in order to get a better price.

We've been quite successful in fundraising this year, notably including a £800 anonymous donation and another of £350 to be used for AGM hall hire. Many thanks to both anonymous donors! As such, we didn't apply for the LCC central grant due to our healthy balance, and are unlikely to do so for 2026. Thanks also to Steve for marshalling at an event in March '25 for which he donated his fee, and also for his TfL Route feedback session for which we also got a payment.

The AGM in 2025 went quite well, but unlike the previous year did not cover its costs by approx £334. Again we raised money through ticket, raffle ticket, food and drink sales, and incurred costs for hall hire, food and drink supply. Many thanks to all the people who donated raffle prizes last year and also this year, and of course to the volunteers who help run it and the speakers who help make it a success. This year (2026) we'll be running events for CI's (technically ICAG's) 50th birthday as a main summer event instead of the AGM.

CI AGM 2026 Management Committee Officer nominations

	Name	LCC member no.	Position applied for
Nominee	Eilidh Murray	65183	Coordinator
Proposed by	Sue Marris	84733	
Seconded by	Alison Dines	60682	

Eilidh's statement:

I would like to stand for the position of Coordinator. As coordinator for the LCC Women's Network and an LCC trustee, I have a good view of ongoing cycling issues and can make sure Islington is aligned with wider campaigns.

I've been coordinator for quite a few years now; recently I've been working with our sister groups in Hackney and Haringey on the dismal failure of C50 to continue past Finsbury Park; in keeping the deadly Clerkenwell Road on the council's agenda, planning for our 50th birthday celebrations in June and trying to get out monthly newsletters on time.

	Name	LCC member no.	Position applied for
Nominee	Amir Shamsuddin	131434	Treasurer
Proposed by	Richenda Walford	61938	
Seconded by	John Hartley	63875	

Amir's statement:

I am keen to help CI campaign for better cycle provisioning in Islington. Although it has improved over time, I think it is still not safe enough for less confident cyclists such as my children to navigate very far comfortably on their own.

Although I don't have too much time spare, I feel I can help by facilitating the running of the group as CI treasurer, which I've been doing for two years now, so am happy to continue helping in this role if voted in!

	Name	LCC member no.	Position applied for
Nominee	John Hartley	63875	Secretary
Proposed by	Keith MacFarlane	61250	
Seconded by	Richenda Walford	61938	

John's statement:

Having been Secretary for the past 3 years, I apply for re-election in this post. I believe that my organisation skills have shown me capable of performing as Secretary, professionally and efficiently. Specifically

- Managing the minutes – any efficient organisation must have minutes produced in a timely fashion, with actions clearly identified.
- Organising regular members' meetings, AGMs, etc. and keeping an eye on the Constitution to ensure it is relevant to CI's activities!

If selected, I will continue to bring dedication and skill to the task to ensure that CI has the best chance of even greater campaigning successes.

CI AGM 2026 Management Committee Member nominations

	Name	LCC member no.	Position applied for
Nominee	Steve Knattress	61145	Committee member
Proposed by	John Hartley	63875	
Seconded by	Amir Shamsuddin	131434	

Steve's statement

I have been a member of Cycle Islington for many years and am an active committee member.

I have completed the LCC ride leader's course, and I think my knowledge gained of routes and the postcode lottery of infrastructure, enables me to organise safe and interesting group rides.

I have used my skill as an editor, to shoot and edit videos to amplify our campaigns.

I hope to continue to give my experience and time to Cycle Islington to help enable more people to choose to cycle safely on our streets.

	Name	LCC member no.	Position applied for
Nominee	Marcus Schodorf	81717	Committee member
Proposed by	Amir Shamsuddin	131434	
Seconded by	Keith MacFarlane	61250	

Marcus' statement:

I have been a committee member for the past year and a member of the Islington Cycling Campaign's infrastructure committee for over three years. In that capacity I have liaised with the council and made contributions which have improved their infrastructure proposals. As a structural engineer specializing in the design of bridges I am very familiar with public works and design codes as well as how projects wind their way through the design and implementation process. This experience helps me push for informed and realistic improvements to the council's proposals.

	Name	LCC member no.	Position applied for
Nominee	Jay Hoffman	149643	Committee member
Proposed by	John Hartley	63875	
Seconded by	Eilidh Murray	65183	

Jay's statement:

I started volunteering with CI in 2024 because I have been cycling and commuting by bike in London for a decade. I want to help as many people as possible switch to active travel, which is why I have helped out at various events on the CI stall, been part of the CI 50th anniversary organising group, and canvassed for signatures to the dangerous junctions petition. I have also completed ride marshal training with London Cycling Campaign.

A more formal role on committee would bring me closer to the work that CI does and allow me to better add value to the group.

	Name	LCC member no.	Position applied for
Nominee	Nick Kocharhook	74330	Committee member
Proposed by	Jacob Hamilton	204856	
Seconded by	Amir Shamsuddin	131434	

Nick's statement:

Nick has over a decade of experience with CI. In that time he has pushed the Council for safer, greener streets through both direct communication and grassroots activism. He has a background in IT and a passion for transportation design.