

Camden Cyclists AGM Minutes 18 May 2026



19.30 - 21.00 at The Grafton, Prince of Wales Road

Attending: *Chair:* Steve Prowse, *Minutes:* John Chamberlain, *Present:* Meade McCloughan, Simon Pearson, Steven Edwards, Kaveh Kordestani, Ema Arvati, Sam Parkes, Luke Pearson, Geoff Stilwell, Jenny Linn-Cole, Jalil Jalili, Leslie Plommer, Jean Dollimore, Rachel Wrangham, Paul Allen

Apologies: Suzanne Weller, Elena Moynihan

1. Introductions

Steve welcomed all the participants who then introduced themselves in turn.

The Coordinators Report, Treasurer's Report and Infrastructure Report are on our website at <https://camdencyclists.org.uk/2026/05/ccc-agm-may-2026-annual-reports/>

2. [Minutes of the 2025 AGM](#)

Steve briefly reviewed them and they were approved. There were no outstanding action items.

3. [Coordinator's Annual Report](#)

Steve gave credit to the many years that our Cycling Champion, Councillor Julian Fulbrook, had supported us within Camden Council. We were disappointed that he lost his seat at the election. He was not available to attend but we will make the opportunity to meet up and thank him in person.

Steve then gave an overview of the year; mentioning:

- Responses to consultations and audits of completed schemes
- Excellent Newsletter with high readership
- Improved website
- Formal meetings with officers
- Meetings with contractors and developers to discuss and mitigate impact on cycling
- Successful Streets for Cycling Campaign for the local elections

Highlights included:

- 20% annual growth in cycling in Camden, more on roads with protected lanes
- Progress on the planned network
- Impact of Hire bikes and cargo bikes
- Family rides, bike buses and launch of [Kilburn Pedals](#)

Objectives for 2026-7

- Celebrate new cycle infrastructure

- Support councillors and officers in building more infrastructure, especially the E-W route, and implementing more LTNs
- Support Bike Bus and Pedals rides including training for parents and marshals.

Steven Edwards mentioned that there was to be a meeting of local people to try to resurrect the traffic reduction plans for Dartmouth Park.

4. [Infrastructure Report](#)

This was presented by Jean Dollimore. She spoke about the continued upgrade and expansion of the protected lanes, improved junctions, permeability and school streets and looked ahead to lanes on Clerkenwell Road (in progress), Albany Street, Fitzjohn's Avenue and the Agar Grove/York Way junction.

Steve mentioned that recent schemes in other boroughs had been approved including bus-stop bypasses. Shared use bus boarders (SUBBs) would not be approved though existing ones could remain.

Luke mentioned problems with vehicles blocking the cycle lanes on York Way, including Veolia lorries parking on them while workers are taking coffee breaks. We will raise this again at the next meeting with officers but need specific locations.

Action: Rachel to provide location, infrastructure team to raise it with Camden.

Issues with drivers ignoring the ASLs will be resolved when the Agar Grove junction is rebuilt.

Simon raised the issue of the road layout at the Plender Street/Royal College Street junction making it very difficult to turn in.

Action: Infrastructure team to raise it with Camden.

Sam raised the issue of drivers pulling out of Georgiana Street into the cycle lane.

Action: Infrastructure team to review and raise it with Camden.

5. **Treasurer's Report**

[Accounts 2025-2026:](#) Meade summarised the accounts

- We again opted for no LCC grant last year
- Income and expenditure are stable and similar to previous years
- There was a small loss over the year with reserves now at £2371.59 compared to £2680.41 at the end of the previous year.
- The Kentish Town Bike Workshop fund (included in the above) had a small excess of donations over expenditure. There is now £908 in this account which could be spent on related projects; suggestions to be made to John.

2025-26 Budget: Meade summarised the proposed budget

- Income and expenditure is expected to be similar to previous years and this will result in another small reduction in reserves.
- We are opting for no grant from LCC this year but in future years if reserves continue to decrease we should consider asking for it.

6. 2025-26 Management Committee

Oliver Hobson stood down; all other committee members were willing to stay on. In addition, Peter Marsh had been invited to join and had accepted. Peter is a long-time member and campaigner and recently helped to plan and implement the election campaign Streets for Cycling as well as our response to the Bloomsbury Visioning consultation.

Election of the Management Committee 2025-26

The committee stood as a slate and there were no objections. Therefore the new committee was elected unanimously.

Members are: Steve Prowse, Meade McCloughan, Ema Arvati, Paul Allen, Stefano Bertolotto, John Chamberlain, Jean Dollimore, Steven Edwards, Kaveh Kordestani, Peter Marsh, Elena Moynihan, Sam Parkes, Simon Pearson, Suzanne Weller and Rachel Wrangham.

7. Election of officers for 2026-27

Officers willing to stand for re-election

Steve Prowse (Coordinator), Meade McCloughan (Treasurer), and Ema Arvati (Secretary) were all willing to continue. There were no objections and they were re-elected unanimously.

8. AOB

Steven Edwards gave an interesting summary of his recent fact-finding trip to the Netherlands, visiting Delft, Utrecht and Groningen.

Quiz

The AGM was followed by a very well-organised quiz. Steve led a round of applause and thanks to Geoff for arranging it and for officiating so fairly.