

**MINUTES OF THE FORTY SECOND ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING OF THE  
EDINBURGH & LOTHIAN GROUP, HELD IN THE MURRAYFIELD CHURCH HALL,  
EDINBURGH ON WEDNESDAY 5 MARCH 2025 AT 7:15 P.M.**

There were seventeen members in attendance.

1. There were apologies for absence from Andrew and Fiona McDonald, Patsy and Ross Petrie and Ken and Sheila Dunn.

2. Chairperson's Remarks.

The Chairman thanked everyone for attending this evening and also the Group's events in the last twelve months. He said there had been problems with our last two events last year, which he said the Secretary will mention in his report. He thanked the committee members for their work in arranging the events for the coming year and also Dave Little for producing our Group Newsletter.

3. Minutes of the 41<sup>st</sup> AGM held 7<sup>th</sup> March 2024

The adoption of the Minutes of the last Annual General Meeting was proposed by Graeme Ferguson.

4. Matters arising from the Minutes.

There were no matters arising.

5. Secretary's Report.

The Secretary reported that at the last AGM, the existing Committee of six members were all re-elected – namely Graeme Ferguson as Chairperson, Alex Allan as Treasurer, John Marshall as Secretary and Anne McDonald, Jackie Fraser and Dave Little as Committee members. The Secretary mentioned that Dave was also our Group Newsletter Editor and he complimented Dave on the excellent job he does. During the year, the Committee met four times, including once for the planning and arranging of this year's programme of events. He briefly reviewed last year's events and said the attendance had been very pleasing, with between twenty and twenty five at most events – very few under twenty and quite a few over twenty five. He explained the last two events planned for the year - a Beetle Drive in November and a Christmas lunch in December had to be cancelled due to the Hotel having been taken over by new owners who imposed conditions we could not accept.

The Secretary mentioned our Group's Newsletter and confirmed all attendees receive a copy. The Secretary said Dave does an excellent job and it is admired by headquarters and the Association Chairman receives a copy and is very complimentary about it. The Secretary mentioned if anyone has any contribution for the Newsletter, no matter how small or large, the Editor would be delighted to receive it and include it in a future issue.

The Secretary reminded all members that they are entitled to join in any Group's activities over the Country. He said our nearest is of course, the Fife Group, although sadly they are no longer recognised as a Boundless CSMA Group and consequently no longer funded by Headquarters. However, they have arranged four lunches at various venues and they would be delighted if anyone wished to join them at any of these events.

Finally as always, the Secretary thanked our committee members for their commitment and work for the Group over the past year and mentioned as always, we would welcome anyone who wished to join our committee either now or in some future time.

## 6. Treasurer's Report

The Treasurer reported on the Group's 2024 finances as follows :

| <u>Income</u>   |          | <u>Expenditure</u>                  |          |
|-----------------|----------|-------------------------------------|----------|
| Opening balance | £ 319.71 | 2024 programme print                | £ 121.20 |
| Imprests        | £ 400.00 | Room hire                           | £ 229.50 |
|                 |          | Travel expenses                     | £ 68.25  |
|                 |          | Computer supplies                   | £ 59.99  |
|                 |          | Event costs                         | £ 99.00  |
|                 |          | Sub total                           | £ 577.94 |
|                 |          | Closing balance<br>( bank and cash) | £ 141.77 |
| Total           | £ 719.71 | Total                               | £ 719.71 |

Alex explained all items on the report and no questions were asked. The Chairman thanked Alex for his Report.

## 7. Election of Office Bearers.

The Secretary said he had not received any nominations for Committee members and asked for any from the meeting. Gordon Ferguson (member 11525731) proposed the status quo for the Committee composition. There being no further nominations or volunteers, the Secretary therefore announced the committee members as Graeme Ferguson as Chairperson, Alex Allan as Treasurer, John Marshall as Secretary and Anne McDonald, Jackie Fraser and Dave Little.

## 8. Signing of Group Charter.

The Secretary explained the purpose of the Group Charter and thereafter it was duly signed by the Chairperson.

9. There being no further business and no motions submitted, the Chairperson closed the business by thanking those present for attending and invited everyone to the tea, coffee and eatables now available.

The meeting closed at 7.55 p.m.

J. Marshall  
Secretary

Chairperson