

The Colinton Tunnel

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Support for Colinton Village Enterprise (CVE) Stage 2 application

Colinton Village Enterprise (SC049496) is close to submitting a Stage 2 application to purchase the outbuilding or "Shed" in Spylaw Park from The City of Edinburgh Council (Community Asset transfer).

The organisation aims to establish a Community Heritage Hub in the building, which lies between the banks of the Water of Leith and the Water of Leith Walkway. Although they currently have usage of the building, acquisition will pass the asset into community hands and will allow them to renovate and refurbish the building to create a community meeting place which inspires practical participation, creative projects, and social exchange, between all age groups in Colinton and visitors to the area.

The Colinton Tunnel, a project which is creating Scotland's largest heritage mural, shares the ambitions of CVE in this respect. One of our own objectives is to bring more visitors to Colinton and the establishment of a community hub, information bureau and heritage interpretation centre, gallery, craft venue and performance space is very much in line with that perspective. CVE's project has the potential to be of benefit to our community, both for local residents and by bringing additional visitors to our village and thus potentially benefiting the wider local economy. The proximity of the shed to our own project is also potentially synergistic.

The Colinton Tunnel supports CVE's application and wishes it every success.

Mike Scott

Chair

On behalf of the project team

