

**Southampton Cycle Campaign –  
Minutes of meeting held Monday 9<sup>th</sup> December 2013**

**Present:** 19 – Lindsi Bluemel, Jonathan Chant, Mike Charlton, David Cooper, Barrie Colborne, Sue Colborne, Pete Davis, Tina Davis, Liz Holmes, Steve Hudson, Nick Hudson, Chris Jenkins, Tom Moore, Jim Probert, Alan Sharpen, Eric Reed, Tim Wakeley, Eleanor Wilde

**Guest:** Dale Bostock

**1 Apologies:** Chris Bluemel, Dilys Gartside, David Thomas

**2 The Minutes:** of last meeting were accepted as being correct.

**3 Lover’s Lane and Furzedown Development**

- It was agreed that the Furzedown Lane route should be an option for cyclists, not formalized as an alternative.
- The question of widening the existing path was put to the vote. A majority – 19 members - voted in support. No objections, no abstentions.

**4 Western Approach update**

- The current state of Second Avenue is affecting cyclists and motorists alike, with leaves/mud/grit, which the council seems reluctant to clear up. Dale advised us to report the problem to action line.
- Dale Bostock will report back on the TRO. It was pointed out to Dale that at no point were SCC notified about the plans for the route. Neither were cyclists considered in the original planning documents. Members are frustrated, with one stating that we will soon have ‘Borisville in Southampton’.
- It was also pointed out to Dale that the provision was a downgrade of the existing facilities. He advised that there were future plans for a cycle route on the Northern side of Redbridge Road. However, we advised him that cyclists in the meantime will resort to using Millbrook Rd, which is much more dangerous.
- SCC made it clear to Dale that we would like to be involved in discussions about route alterations etc at an early stage of the process.

**5 Central Bridge update**

- Lindsi has submitted an objection to the replacement of the roundabout with lights and received an acknowledgement noting this from Andrew Pope.
- SCC has also submitted our approval of the Marsh Lane plans.
- The 50mm uplift from road to cycle lane on Marsh Lane, which is a concern to members, was raised with Dale. He pointed out that there would be a granite kerb marking this separation. Members asked if there would be clear markings highlighting this separation, especially for night-time riders. Dale will come back to us on this.
- Signage was raised as a big issue with these plans, (as well as throughout the city and surrounds). Dale informed us that when funds were available, a major route

signing programme will be implemented. My journey.com will also have an animated film showing how the new junction should be used.

- Mike pointed out to Dale that the Council haven't done themselves any favours by not ensuring good signage of the good routes that they have created.
- Sustrans style stickers seem to be the most popular option among members, but members also agreed that SCC should be consulted about the best signage options. Publicity about signage is also needed.

## 6 **Helmet Camera**

- David Cooper outlined the pros and cons of two of the best options for us. These were
  - GoPro @ £267 from Hargroves
  - VEHO @ £173 from Go Outdoors
- It was agreed that GoPro was well reviewed and it would be easier to find accessories for it. Also good to support a local business. David will purchase one for SCC.

## 7 **Code of Conduct**

- It was agreed that SCC should have a Code of Conduct for cyclists.
- The London Cycle Campaign Code of Conduct can be used as a guide, and Darren Ord could be asked for his/police approval.
- Members could hand out this code together with (for example) high vis jackets.
- It would also be an opportunity to promote/advertise the SCC.
- A working group will be formed to push this forward.

## 8 **AOB**

- David Cooper expressed interest in becoming the SCC's media spokesperson. Nominated by Lindsy, seconded by Pete.
- Dale mentioned that he has plenty of high vis vests for both adults and children available for distribution.

**Next meeting:  
Monday 13<sup>th</sup> January at 7.30pm  
Friends Meeting House, 1a Ordnance Road, SO15 2AZ**