

Minutes of meeting held at the Friends Meeting House on 10th February 2014

Meeting opened 8 pm **Present:** David T, Nick, Mike, Steve, Dan, Jim, John, Chris B, Chris J, Pete, Tina, Lindsa, Jonathon, Tim, Dan, Barry, Sue, Alan **Apologies:** Eric Reed

Minutes of previous Meeting were agreed and no matters arising not on the Agenda

Petterson Trial Pete reported on aspects of the trial that has concerned those attending, particularly barristers and expert witnesses' complete ignorance of cycling and cyclist behaviour. The verdict cannot be appealed and Chris B thought we should respect the outcome. CTC may comment further. Members were referred to the website for a full report of the trial. Those who attended were thanked.

Church Street Mike has sent individual comments to Rob Stanley; discussion about Rob Stanley's response and the need to have a monthly meeting discussion to agree a Campaign response. Church St scheme primarily designed to benefit residents, cyclists considered after residents views; members expressed concern that yet again the Campaign was not consulted. Part of an important N – S cycle route across the city. Dan raised the issue of cycle access to the track at north and south ends and members agreed that more attention was needed to both ends rather than the section in between which has not hitherto been a problem. Issue of funding was raised with members feeling that it should not come out of the cycling budget. After much discussion it was agreed that we would not oppose the scheme but would like reassurance that the existing (crossroads at north end) and potential (access to the track at both ends) problems would be given more attention. Mike agreed to contact Rob Stanley.

Itchen Bridge Some have received an invitation to attend an information session from 10 am – 2 pm on Thursday and Friday this week. Members were assured that it was open to all; Pete and Tina, Jim and Jonathon will definitely attend. Barry and Sue predicted problems for motorists and bus users when the scheme was complete, especially the cycle bypass at the bus stop.

Western Approach Chris J distributed maps of the proposed parking changes on 2nd Avenue which aim to remove on-road parking and push cyclists on to the pavement. Members agreed that the cycle facilities shown on the map were inadequate and a regressive step. Work is progressing on creating extra entrances and altering car parks but no decision yet as to the contra-flow. Pete and Chris J to submit Campaign objection to the planning application and members were encouraged to write as individuals as well. Jim is taking up Western Approach route in his role as CTC right to ride rep.

Path from Central Stn (south) to Millbrook Stn Pete, Tina and Lindsa had that afternoon cycled along the path and they reported on its usage and condition. It was agreed that a route south of the railway line should be maintained as it was a direct, convenient and flat alternative for the cyclists who currently use Mounbatten Way to access work in retail and businesses south of Central Station. Ownership of the land and possible alternative sites were discussed but it was agreed that discussion was not productive without information which was not yet available. Chris J and Chris B expressed an interest in being the Campaign's representatives on the Network Rail consultation group.

AOB: Bullar Rd lorry barriers Lindsa had obtained plans for the proposals which would narrow the road and could create problems for cyclists. As it is a temporary order, members agreed to use Bullar Rd in the coming month to assess the impact on cyclists.

Next informal It was agreed to hold this on Wednesday to allow members who can't make Tuesday to attend and to avoid clash with first cycle forum meeting (but no more details about this). Mike to look into possible venues. When Itchen Bridge works finished an informal would be held in Woolston Meeting closed at 10 pm.

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