

Southampton Cycle Campaign
Minutes of meeting held Monday 8th September 2014

Present: 16 – Lindsi Bluemel, Barrie Colborne, Sue Colborne, David Cooper, Pete Davis, Tina Davis, John Heath, Liz Holmes, Chris Jenkins, Jim Probert, Eric Reed, Alan Sharpen, David Thomas, Andre Ventress, Tim Wakeley, Michael Waugh

1 Welcome: to new member Andre Ventress.

2. The Minutes: of the meeting of 9th June were accepted as being correct.

Matters arising: Despite the fact that the ASL lines have been removed from Archers Rd., there is now a filter lane for right turning. However, any cyclists encountering problems, please let the SCC know.

3 Update on current issues:

- Second Avenue: Dale has responded to Chris Jenkins saying he will provide a report at the next cycle forum meeting. Members feel that parking restrictions should be implemented and enforced to prevent vehicles having to move into the cycle lane to get around parked lorries. A 20mph limit was also suggested.

- Lover's Walk: the installation of raised platforms or 'speed tables' across the junctions planned for Wynn Rd and Westwood Rd has begun as part of the upgrade of Lover's Lane. Concern that one of these is too close to the junction with The Avenue. Further concern that cyclists will see this platform as a crossing place, which it is not intended to be. It could also prove a distraction to drivers who would normally be looking out for cyclists and pedestrians.

- Domino's Cycle Path: David Thomas had been informed that the cycle path would be repainted. However, these plans are being reviewed as part of a wider scheme. Members agreed there was no reason why the repainting should not go ahead regardless.

- Lidl Development: John H has written to the council to ask why Redbridge Lane has been blocked. Cyclists crossing the roundabout are forced to illegally use the pavement. Vivienne Messenger from Test Valley Council planning department to be invited to speak at a meeting to discuss this area further.

- Cutbush Lane: Lindsi has received a letter from John Denham stating that Cutbush has now been elevated to the status where it can receive funding, should funding (ever) become available!

4. Warden Updates:

- Status of the pavement leading from the airport roundabout to the motorway bridge to be changed to shared use thanks to Eric

- Buildouts on Passfield Avenue have been removed.

- Eastleigh: New cycle route along Tinning Lane; Due Lane cycle route partially constructed; new route from the station to Cricklehall (?) Lane.

- Hedge End: New cycle route from the Next store to the town centre.

5. Newsletter:

- Agreed that we should continue to have a pre-Christmas and pre-June newsletter. It was agreed that we should perhaps include a directory of services, which might feature discounts for readers.

6. Cycle Hire Scheme

- SCC has responded to the request to comment on this.

7. Air Quality Meeting

- Attended by Lindsa Bluemel and David Cooper. Reported that Councillor Rayment who conducted proceedings did not mention cycling. When questioned on this, she maintained that both existing and planned cycling infrastructure were adequate.
- Councillors realise that there is a problem in Southampton, but don't rate cycling as being a big part of the solution.

Southampton is outside the EU limit on air quality.

- All in all the idea of the inquiry is a positive one but it appears to be focusing on reduction of emissions by technology (in itself not a bad thing) and short term increases in traffic flow and does not take seriously the positive opportunity provided by modal shift (especially cycles).

8. Cycle Forum – 7th October

- Next forum takes place on 7th October.

9. Historic Churches Ride

- Taking place on 12th September, going via Lee-on-Solent.

10 AOB

- New SCC Logo: the final design were viewed and one was selected. There was some disagreement as to whether to keep or get rid of the speed lines on the image. A vote was taken and the majority favoured keeping them.

Next meeting:

**Next formal meeting: Monday 13th October, 7.30pm
Friend's Meeting House, Ordnance Rd, Southampton**