

Southampton Cycle Campaign
Minutes of meeting held Monday 13th October 2014

Present: 9 – Lindsi Bluemel, Ken Comley, David Cooper, Pete Davis, Tina Davis, John Heath, Liz Holmes, Chris Jenkins, Jim Probert, Tim Wakely,

1 Welcome: to new member Ken Comley.

Apologies: Lyn Brayshaw, Barrie Colborne, Sue Colborne, Andre Ventress.

2. The Minutes of the previous meeting, matters arising: Lyn Brayshaw is questioning the second platform planned for Lovers Lane. Two corrections to the previous minutes which will be implemented before they are uploaded to the website.

3 Feedback from Cycle Forum (7th October):

- Cycle hire scheme took up half the meeting. No real concrete plan to implement this. Pete Davis, attendee, feels that Southampton falls well short of making such a scheme work.
- There were updates from British Cycling and Sustrans.
- There was a suggestion that the by-laws preventing people from cycling ‘in the park’ (Sorry, was this the Common?) could be revoked, but would be kept under the radar.
- Dale Bostock spoke about the Eastern cycle route.
- David Cooper brought up the issue of traffic light phasing.

4. Updates on Lovers Lane/Second Avenue/Dominos Path/Eastern route/Lidl site:

- Lovers Lane: nothing new to report since last month’s meeting.
- Second Avenue: Cyclists being forced onto pavement to avoid lorries having to go into the contra flow cycle lane to avoid parked lorries.
- Dominos Path: David Cooper brought the problems up at the Cycle Forum. Dale said that this issue would be rolled into a bigger plan. SCC agreed that there is no reason it cannot be dealt with now. David to follow up.
- Eastern Route: At the Cycle Forum, Dale mentioned that because Central Bridge cannot undergo any structural changes, this means that the planned kerbs cannot be put in. Instead there will be a mandatory cycle lane marked with white lines. There will be a two-way cycle path from Terminus Terrace to the Morrison’s site, but this will not be completed until next year. On 11th November, the junction will be re-opened on a trial basis. The Council have put up a notice showing how the junction is to be used.
- John Heath brought up the Lidl development at the Cycle Forum. A right of way officer is going to bring up the matter of the piled up earth on the route.

5. Communication – Newsletter, social media, website:

- The newsletter is underway and will be printed for December. All articles welcome.
- David Cooper passed around a ‘briefing page’ where people could fill in their details, role and the best way to contact them.

6. Cycle Code:

- Darren Ord would like to see this. It was also suggested that it should appear in the newsletter. The code could be handed out as a flyer to shops, cycle students etc.

7. Speakers for forthcoming meetings:

- Suggestions included a representative from Hampshire Co Council, particularly to discuss the Lidl development and lack of consultation.
- Colin Cara (spelling?) to discuss cycling and cycling plans in Andover.
- Cllr Eamonn Keogh, met at Cycle forum, seems to be a cycling champion.
- Cycle promotions person – New Forest.

8. Rides Programme for 2015 and 26th October ride

- Lindsie suggested getting a group together to plan rides.
- Chris Jenkins suggested listing our rides on the Sky rides web site, but some discussion ensued as to whether we want to publicise our rides to that extent.
- Interest being expressed in The Mariner's Way as a bike ride.
- Coffee at Carlo's on 26th October. Meeting at the Four Horse Shoes in Nursling at 9am. Opportunity to meet local CTC groups as Southampton CTC leading a ride here also and meeting Winchester CTC at Carlo's.

9. CTC Cycle Nation Conference

- Taking place on Saturday November 22nd at Lambeth Town Hall, London, hosted by London Cycling Campaign. Ticket cost could be covered by SCC for any member wanting to attend.

10 AOB

- Members asked to write to George Osborne to encourage spending on cycling, before the final version of the Get Britain Cycling plan is published on 27th November.
- Space for cycling: Only one councillor from Southampton has signed up.
- It was noted that Waltham Forest recently received £30 million from the government to improve cycling facilities there.

Next meeting:

**Next meeting: Monday 10th November 7.30pm
Friend's Meeting House, Ordnance Rd, Southampton**