# **Southampton Cycling Campaign**

## Minutes of meeting held Monday 14 September 2015

**Present:** 13 – Stephen Edwards (chair), Pete Davis, Tina Davis, Jon Bingham, Eleanor van der Hoest (minute taker), John Heath, Jim Probert, Richard Hayes, Lindsi Bluemel, Barrie Colborne, Sue Colborne, Andre Ventress, Tim Wakely, **Apologies** – David Cooper, Lyn Brayshaw

#### 1. Minutes

The minutes from 13 July were accepted as a true account.

### 2. Itchen Bridge Survey 29.9.

David Cooper (absent) may have the volunteers list from the last meeting but a new rota was compiled. Jonathan has produced a record sheet to record number of cyclists using or avoiding the junction, showing entry and exit point and how they used the junction. 3 time periods: 7-9:30am, 12-2pm, 4-6pm. Record in blocks of 15 minutes.

7-9 Lindsi 12-2 Pete & Tina 4-6 Stephen & Jim
Andre Sue & Barrie
Richard

Top of list in each section are definites, some uncertain or arriving later. There will be an informal meeting on Tue 22.9. at 18:45 at the Itchen Bridge junction to view the site & finalise details, to continue at the Dancing Man (Wool House), plus other matters (see below)

#### 3. Second Avenue

Tina showed drawings for Council's 3<sup>rd</sup> proposal to meet UPS' demand for 2-way vehicular traffic, now 2-way cycle way separated from road by 50mm curb and wands. Main issue: hazardous entry and exit both ends.

Action: Pete & Tina to respond as follows:

- Accept main points (2-way cycle way; 2-way traffic not negotiable)
- Cycle route should be level with the road (if all being resurfaced)
- Extend cycle route eastwards to facilitate entry
- Conspicuous markings and proper signage at both ends, preferably with a raised platform at the west end to slow drivers
- Stop line at filling station exit and cycle warning sign.

#### 4. Lovers Lane

Nothing further to add on the widening plans. Pete/Tina/ Lyn/Stephen had a meeting with Simon Hill of Highfield Residents' Association to discuss proposals for Highfield Rd. Stephen has sent Campaign objections to the bus stop build out opposite Omdurman Road and to the turn right onto the cycle route to the traffic lights at the Highfield Lane junction. Highfield Residents' Association to discuss NEW proposals.

#### 5. Victoria Road Woolston

Now no cycle contra flow that was agreed with Steve Wong who since left council. Apparently to meet residents' needs but Sue stated as a resident of Woolston, residents are not happy either.

#### 5a. Communication with the council

Following e-mail exchanges on Victoria Rd, Lindsi and Stephen met with Dale Bostock to improve communication between council and Campaign. Dale is suggesting we email all queries to him after our meetings and will supply answers to fit in with our mtg cycle. We should use councilors as 2<sup>nd</sup> level escalation, not as first port of call. Council aim to give us advanced notice of their plans so we can give constructive input and set up working groups.

#### 6. Morris Road – access to Central Station

Dale says there will be a solution for cyclists (following new no right turn), involving pelican crossing. We will ask him for plans.

### 7. Eling Wharf

No news. Totton north side cycle route has been completed but it's too narrow with grass verge edged with wooden strip.

Action: JH to contact Sue Coles at HCC.

### 8. Sky Ride Staff Feedback

Brilliant! Thanks to Jon Bingham. 14 new members, 11,000 took part, 59 surveys completed c200 people came to the stand. In future we need to decide who follows up.

#### Action:

JB to summarise main themes in surveys for Cycle Strategy on 23.9. JB to send new sign-ups for RiseUp list to Lindsi to pass on to Chris Bluemel, and new members to Sue.

JB to add new logo to old SCC leaflet e.g. for SUSU Freshers' Fair Cycling in the City Event 29.9. (Eleanor & Jon attending on own behalf)

### 9. Next Meetings

Cycle Strategy Workshop 23.9. 5pm Civic Centre Committee Rm 4
Cycle Forum 23.9. 7pm Civic Centre Committee Rm 1
Informal meeting Tues 22/9: 18:45 Itchen Bridge junction + Dancing
Man from 7:30 to discuss our survey (29.9), Cycle Strategy, Local Plan
(Sustainable Transport) Consultation.

#### 10. AOB

**30 September 6:30 pm**: The Point is showing "Bikes vs Cars" film – Free. Eleanor: Ipley Cross: new speed reduction measures on both minor roads approaching this notorious junction.

**Next formal meeting:** Monday 12 October, 7.30pm Friend's Meeting House, Ordnance Rd, Southampton (Dale attending)