

## **Minutes of Southampton Cycling Campaign meeting held on 11/04/2016**

**Present:** David Cooper (chair), Stephen Edwards, Lindsay Bluemel, John Heath, Tina Davis, Pete Davis, Sue Colborne, Barrie Colborne, David Thomas, Jim Probert, Andre Ventress, Graham Annaly, Jon Bingham, David Pemberton, Michael Waugh. Apologies: None

Minutes of March meeting agreed. Matters arising: None

**Election Survey:** David has produced 101 questionnaires for Local Election Candidates to ask whether 1) they would support the Space for Cycling campaign and 2) what they would do to encourage cycling if elected. Those present were asked to help with delivery. Thanks to David for all his work on this.

**Members/Supporters:** We discussed whether it would help to boost our numbers if we had reduced rates for supporters to join, compared with full memberships and what different entitlements each would be eligible for. It was decided to go for a reduced £5 membership (£3 conc) rate for all and to produce the magazine digitally (offering paper version for those who sign up to it). New memberships to be launched in Bike Week. Donations in addition to membership fees are welcome.

**No Right Turns and No Entry Exemptions:** David has sent Dale our response suggesting a prioritised list of changes to be made. We will ask to see the Morris Rd plans.

**Stopping Up of Salisbury Rd:** This regards the planning application by the University to reduce the carriageway width along part of Salisbury Road to 4.1 metres, (linked to the re-development of a university building) to try to slow down cars, make it pedestrian friendly and improve the public realm (with trees). What is more worrying is that the University are planning to apply to the DFT for the road to change from being a public highway to become University owned land, albeit with some envisaged stipulation about maintaining cycle access. Pete and Tina went to a meeting with University road planners about the carriageway plans which, although not ideal, appear not to be dangerous, so we will withdraw our objections here. However, we will tell the Planning Committee we plan to object to the DFT application unless we can be reassured about legally binding section 106 protection of public rights of way. It is part of an important east-west route. Stephen to speak at the Planning Committee meeting on Tues 12 April.

**Next Month's AGM:** We need to continue to try to spread the workload and have informal as well as formal roles. Please all come. If you can't make it, let David know what you can offer to do. 7:30 business meeting and 8pm AGM.

**Next Meetings:** Adam Tewksbury, Univ Transport Planner to attend our June meeting. This will need to be the week after Bike Week.

**Infrastructure Improvements – Cycling Campaign Improvements:** We need to add to our proposed list of essential infrastructure improvements. David suggested an informal meeting to discuss a particular road or junction. Spring Road was suggested. Venue: Arts House Café – Tuesday 19 April tbc

**Bike Week Schedule 11-19 June:** This year's theme is cycling to work. Jonathan and Lindsay will arrange evening rides Mon-Fri. The Monday ride will be combined with an informal meeting. We hope to liaise with Dangerous Ideas on a bike film and to show it at the Art House (perhaps after a ride). Maybe a biker's breakfast with My Journey and an early morning ride before work? Hugh is

happy to give a talk on GPS and navigational aids and this could be combined with a session on route planning. Ideas that David has been sent are on our wiki site.

**Council Communication Spreadsheet:** Nothing to report as the latest spreadsheet has just been sent to Dale.

**Announcements:** 1) Cycle ride on Sunday 17 April across the Forest to Lyndhurst (20 miles approx.)  
2) Environment Rock 30 May – Jon has a stall at The Hobbit in Bevois Valley.

**AOB:** Mike has had a response from Eastleigh Borough Council - his complaint has been referred to HCC.

CTC is now UK Cycling.

See the STN Echo Article on £250 million congestion busting plans – we need to respond to the plans to improve traffic flow.

**Date of Next Meeting:** Monday 9 May, St Denys Community Centre. 7:30 PROMPT

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