

Southampton Cycling Campaign
Monday 9th July 2018

Present

Jon Bingham, Jim Probert, Steve Shaw, Lindsi Blumel, Lyn Bradshaw, John Heath, Peter Davis, Tina Davis

Apologies

Hugh and Su, Sue and Barrie, Liz Batten, Tom Morse

Steve Shaw was given a warm welcome by members attending. Steve works for Garmin European HQ in Totton and regularly cycles to work from Locks Heath.

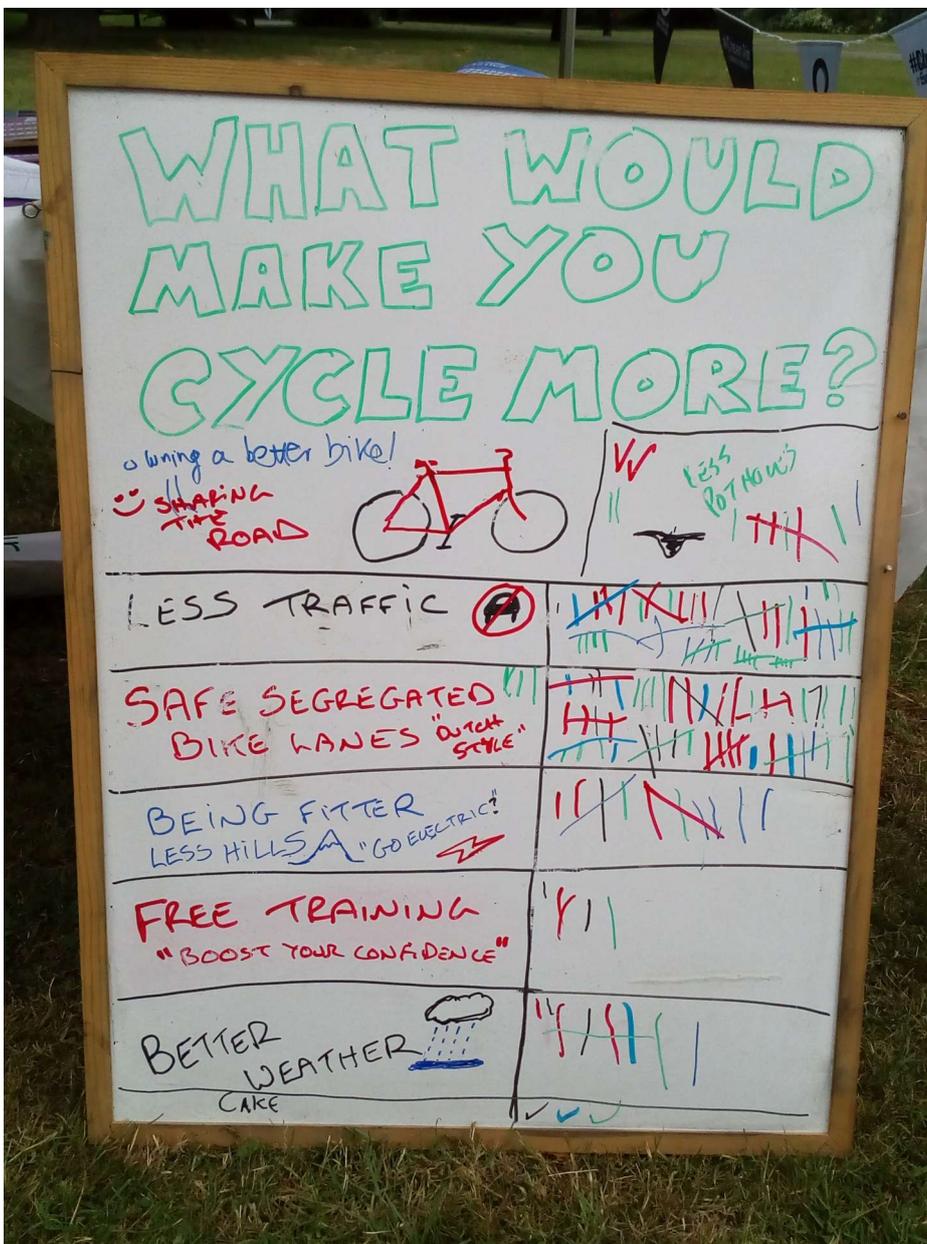
May Minutes

This have not been provided – Jon to chase

Bike Week, Big Bike Revival and Let's Ride

Massive thank you to all who have been involved in these events

Let's Ride Survey



Jon collected views at the Lets ride event as what would encourage cyclists to ride more, the overall consensus was that they would cycle more if there were safe segregated bike lanes, followed by less traffic (cars) on the city's roads.

These comments to be publicised to the Echo,

Action. Lindsi B & Lyn B

Big Bike Revival Still going on

14th July – St James Park Summer Festival- Try a bike

Lyn Bradshaw requested for volunteers to help and loan bikes with locks on 14th July: Try-a-bike stall at St James' Park Summer Festival 11am - 4pm, St James' Park, Shirley, SO15 5SD

I will be chatting and handing out Cycling Campaign postcards and Codes etc.

Local Government Feedback

Eastleigh

Eric said: Some people may be interested in the link below to dates for local plan drop in sessions if interested to see what is proposed for development in Eastleigh borough.

<https://www.eastleigh.gov.uk/latest-news/local-plan-consultation-drop-ins> Note in the proposed EBC local plan on line pages 66 - 68 mention long term cycle/foot/bridleway route aspirations.

New Forest Recreational Consultation

<http://www.newforestnpa.gov.uk/news/new-forest-residents-and-visitors-to-have-their-say-on-proposals-for-managing-recreation/>

<http://www.newforestnpa.gov.uk/conservation/managing-recreation/future-forest>

<https://hampshirecc.researchfeedback.net/s.asp?k=152587523024>

John Heath will collate additional comments for a campaign response Jim Probert said that Bob Damper of Southampton CTC is actively involved in pushing for better cycle provision in the New Forest

Action JH

Southampton Local transport Plan 4

[Southampton LTP4](#)

Jon showed Slides from May Cycle Forum with aim of updating the existing LTP3 .

The changes at a national and sub-regional level, availability of new data and information means that the longer term policies and aims in LTP3 require updating. To meet the changing needs and environment of Southampton the development of a new LTP will provide a robust evidence base with strong linkages to other policies such as the City Strategy, Low Emissions Strategy, Solent Strategic Economic Plan and the emerging City Local Plan. With the increasing focus on the implications of poor air quality and health inequalities this is now an appropriate time to update the current LTP policies to provide the City Council with a strong platform for making further applications for funding to invest in transport infrastructure, support the growth of the city, manage the environment and enable the changes to be accommodated.

Clean Air Consultation

<https://www.southampton.gov.uk/council-democracy/have-your-say/clean-air-consultation.aspx>

Southampton City Council (SCC) and New Forest District Council (NFDC) are seeking views on proposals for a Clean Air Zone.

It's now time to have your say.

The link to the questionnaire contains background information on the proposals; the different options that were considered for a Clean Air Zone; and more detailed information on the preferred option for a Clean Air Zone at this stage. Please complete the questionnaire to have your say. SCC & NFDC are interested to hear about what you think, any ways in which the proposals could affect you or others and any suggestions you feel we should consider.

Lyn Brayshaw

Said that we are working on getting a strong new Clean Air Zone established in Southampton, but we need help. If you care about the air we breathe, please do come along to our information evening on Tuesday 17th July.

We aim to inform people of what is happening and get more people involved in the Clean Air consultation. Please book via: www.facebook.com/events/813743802346887/

The meeting will be from 7-9pm, with doors opening at 6pm for informal networking and a free drink and cookie (you can also buy a meal or snack). We will have a short introduction from Liz Batten of Clean Air Southampton and a speaker from national Friends of the Earth. We will then have discussions around actions we can take this summer to ensure the council receives a lot of responses to the current consultation.

Cycle Campaign Gopro camera is again available for members to borrow

Jim Probert has borrowed the camera for a short while to film the route from Itchen Bridge to The Boardwalk. Please contact Lindsy who will be holding the camera for members to borrow.

Events

Saturday 14th July- St James Park Summer Festival (Big Bike Revival)

Tuesday 4th Sept - Southampton Cycle Forum

Sunday 23rd Sept - St James Park Dog Show

Saturday 22nd Sept - Car Free Day -

Thursday 18th November – World Remembrance Day for road traffic victims

Cycle Design Hub Updates

- The Avenue Corridor

The Avenue working group met with councillors to look at improvements to the cycle route from London Road and up the Inner Avenue. However the route discussed only went as far as The Cowherds. Plans are to upgrade the existing bus lane North to Stag Gates. Further route south from Inner Avenue to St Marys Road were discussed as possible route to improve.

- Portswood Cycle Route
Because of the narrow road infrastructure and being quiet hilly through Bevois Valley, it was felt it would be difficult to improve for cyclist without major cost. The money would be better spent using the existing cycle route through the inner Avenue and then using the existing quiet route down Alma Road into Portswood.
- Quayside Rd Cycle Design Hub Meeting – June 25th
A working group attended the Quayside ?????
- Third Avenue – Wed 11th July 3pm-4.30pm room 121 Civic Centre
Working group will be attending this meeting

Update :-

Four members went to the Cycle Design Hub to hear about the plans for Third Avenue cycleway. Wade suggested that there had been support for it being on the north side of the road. Wade said, with some feeling, that they had been unable to find a way to resolve this and gave us a detailed report on why and a set of plans to explain the pros and cons of either the north side or the south side. Colin has a copy of the paper plans and Wade said he will send his slides out to us.

After Wade had given his presentation and fielded many questions and suggestions, we were asked whether we would favour a northern or southern route for the cycleway. All four of us were in agreement that we couldn't make a statement on behalf of the Campaign at this point, as we felt you all needed to be involved in this vital decision - and given an opportunity to suggest solutions that we failed to find today.

So we need to set up a meeting very soon to discuss our options and how we wish to reply.

- No Right Turns
No right turns in the City Centre make it very difficult to take safe routes through the City without making illegal right turns. Jon and Jim met with Wade Holmes to look at the no right turns and, Wade said that to change the signs has significant cost. So we need to prioritise those that urgently need changing such as the right turn from Above Bar to New Road, and West Park road to Havelock Road so cyclists can get to the stores in Harbour Parade. The Old road running past the Sea City Museum could be opened up for cyclists, so they can make a safer right turn into Havelock Road.

Campaign Ride

The next Campaign ride will be to Stokes Bay on Sunday 15th July. A route out via Whitely and Stubbington, return via the NCN 2 route which is mainly along the shoreline. Always

a popular ride and forecast is that the good weather will continue through until next week.

Assemble: from 9.45 am at Bursledon Stn. A train leaving Southampton Central at 9.35 stops at St Denys, Bitterne, Woolston, Sholing, Netley and Hamble before arriving 9.55 at Bursledon (Desiro trains on this route with unlimited room for bikes).

Date of Next Meeting: Monday 10th September, St Denys Community Centre. 7:30 PROMPT

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