

Southampton Cycling Campaign meeting - Monday 11th March 2019

Apologies

Katherine Barbour, Iain Steane

Attendees

Jim Probert, Jon Bingham, Angela Cotton, Liz Batten, Colin Mac Queen, Lyn Brayshaw, Sue Colborne, Barrie Colborne, Tim Wakely, Johnathan Chant, Pete Davis, Tina Davis, Eleanor van der Host, Johnnie Dellow, John Heath, Lindsi Bluemel.

February Minutes

The previous minutes are waiting to be published, a list of attendees to be added.

Overview from Chairman

Jon Bingham the current campaign chairman announced that he will be standing down from this role at the AGM in April 2019 to concentrate on preparations for his wedding in August 2019. While he may take on another role, he does not currently have enough free time to devote to being chairman.

So to give time to elect a new chair, the AGM has been delayed to April so emails can be sent to SCC members and the Treasurer can present a report on the finances.

Open Agenda,

New Mapping and Signage

Lindsi showed proposed new map showing all the routes in Southampton, also a leaflet that showed signage that we be used. The signs will be standard blue signage with a numbered city route and the numbered Sustrans route in red.

Those at the meeting liked the new signage and the improved mapping. Also liked the colour scheme and the clearer map detail, there is question over the colour of each route numbered, to highlight the cycle routes more clearly.

Working group to look at map and signage, Lyn and Lindsi, John and Angela. To report at next meeting and to give feedback to Iain Steane.

Traffic Orders

John, Hugh and Lindsi have gone through the numerous traffic orders, and have objected to shared use paths by Asda, and the shared use footway along Botley Road.

Lindsi to communicate with Christine Brislane, where there are poor shared use paths, particularly those with busy pedestrian use, those where there is low pedestrians use may be acceptable.

SCC policy is to have well-constructed cycle paths and not shared use, or very narrow, and are against those that cross numerous exits.

Lindsi to forward future notices to Eleanor, so she can distribute to the reps for each area.

Central Station

The south side of Central Station has been neglected in the provision of good cycle access and only has 4 bike stands. Working group of Liz, Johnnie, Lyn, Lindsi and also invite to Steven to look at the proposals for improvements to this area and report back their findings. It was noted that there are no dedicated cycle routes from the south of the station to the City Centre, or up to and over central bridge to get to Shirley or Hill Lane

Extra Items

A3024 Road Improvements

A3024 update from Wade, Highways England have pulled out of the scheme, only going to improve Windover Roundabout

Southampton City Council will take over the project, from Bursledon to the Bitterne Centre; work has been planned and already started. Eric, Wade and Lindsie have looked at the route, and the following comments have been noted.

1. Pavements are not wide enough
2. Gyrotory in Bitterne will be done
3. SCC is concerned that the whole route into the city will not be done.
4. There is still a question over what happens to Northam Railway Bridge

Chasing up our top ten priorities:

Lyn chased up Cllrs, and probably there will be an update at the cycle forum on 9th April.

Southampton Common Forum,

This will be a charity, Common has plan for cycling from Lodge Road to Burgess Road.

Scrutiny Panel Meeting on Green City Charter and Clean Air 15 March 2019 at 17:00

This Friday (meet up before 5pm) we are attending the Scrutiny Panel meeting on the Green City Charter and Clean Air Strategy at the Civic Centre. (the entrance facing Marlands/Asda) The public gallery will be open for this.

We intend to hold the council to account on these issues and ask you all to come and let our local government know that "half measures" will not be acceptable.

Southampton CC is signing up to letters/comments/suggestions/manifesto along with other environmental groups in the city.

Marhill Copse

There is a group protesting about the proposed felling of 27 trees by Southampton Airport, who now own the land. See <https://www.facebook.com/Marhill.Chat/> to get involved writing emails or doing more. As the Green City Charter is being announced, decisions like this need to be watched!

Hythe ferry concerns about funding subsidy been pulled.

The ferry should be included in Southampton's Green City Charter, which is being drawn up to set out the authority's environmental strategy.

Cllr Rob Humby, HCC cabinet member for environment and transport, decided in October last year to end the ferry's two-year deal for an annual £77,250 as part of more than £1.1m of public transport subsidy cuts.

World car free day 22nd September 2019

Every year on or around 22 September, cities across the globe celebrate World Car-Free Day, encouraging motorists to give up their cars for a day. The event highlights the numerous benefits of going car-free to citizens—including reduced air pollution and the promotion of walking and cycling in a safer environment. Southampton City has chosen not to take part in this event.

SC is looking into a car free day to tie in with other events, but Lyn & Liz met with them and were updated on plans.

Public Health England

Has said Cycling is good for you and the environment.

Move in March and Ride

Throughout March we've got a month of fun, free activities to help you keep active.

<https://myjourneyhampshire.com/moveinmarch>

Ride to work week! 25-31 March

You can register for this event on the Love to Ride App

<https://www.lovetoride.net/southampton>

March Saturday morning Cargo bike ride 30th 11.00 am

Details TBA

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/southamptoncargobicycles>

Bike Week 2019 – 8 to 16th June

Big bike revival to be rerun

Cycle tuition has not been a great success so now looking to offer one to one training and to encourage new riders, vouchers will be issued for discounted cycle training during bike week..

The Meeting closed 10pm

Next meeting will be the AGM on Monday 8th April

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