

Southampton Cycling Campaign meeting - Monday 11th Nov 2019

1. Apologies

Angela Cotton, Chris Brown, Sue and Barrie Colborne.

2. Attendees

Lyn Brayshaw (Chair), Johnnie Dellow (Vice-chair), Lindsi Bluemel (Secretary), Jim Probert (Minutes Secretary), Jon Bingham, Martin Hodgson, Steve Shaw, Andre Ventress, Ceri Dunn, Thomas Edwards, Colin MacQueen, Stephen Edwards .

Chair welcomed all attendees to the meeting, and those attending introduced themselves.

3. Previous Minutes - here: www.southamptoncyclingcampaign.org.uk/document-archive/meeting-minutes/

4. Past events

Monthly Campaign Ride - from Four Horseshoes to New Forest and Dandy's Ford, was well attended. Route rides.

5. Future events

Our stalls

Uni event on 4th Dec – any volunteers?

Our rides

Next Campaign ride – usually 10 am on 3rd Sunday.

www.southamptoncyclingcampaign.org.uk/ride/rides/

Sun 17 November 10am from Lakeside Park, Eastleigh to TWYFORD Leader: Lindsi Bluemel

Sun 15 December 10am from Hawthorns Café, The Common to NORTH BADDESLEY via Chilworth Leader: Lindsi Bluemel

Working party rides coming up – dates tbc.

Our meetings (always 2nd Mon except Aug)

9th Dec - monthly meeting – 7.15 for 7.30 please bring food to share.

Other meetings/events

Southampton Glow Ride 2019 will be in East Park on **Sunday 8th December 4-7pm**

Also this year, there may be a Let's Ride Pop Up available for children from 4-5pm/5.30pm in the park, as many attendees last year only wanted to come for a bike ride on off road sections. A Cycle Savvy Pitstop may also be booked and located somewhere in East Park.

<https://www.facebook.com/events/804745369981035/>

Monthly Critical Mass rides www.facebook.com/criticalmasssoton/

Design Hub coming up for The Avenue and for Portswood to Avenue quiet route.

Next Cycle Forum – 14th January – go as individuals or member of other group, so meeting is not dominated by us.

6. Working groups - opinions needed (alphabetical order) - Location then non-location. **SCC team are: Wade, Greg, Tony & Dale.**

--- Bitterne Road East/Thornhill Park Rd - Eric (C) Lyn, Lindsi, Johnnie, Steve S.

--- Bitterne Triangle - Lindsi (C) Eleanor, Lyn, Angela, Liz. Jon B.

Eleanor has issues with lack of demarcation, poorly positioned kerbs, and lack of advanced stop lines. Eleanor & Jon B, to collate information - for and against each part of this major junction.

--- Bursledon Rd A3024 – Steve S (C) Eric, Lyn, Liz.

--- Central Railway Bridge – Stephen E (C), Jim, Hugh, Su.

--- Central Station South Forecourt - Johnnie (C), Lyn, Lindsi, Liz, (Cara), Colin. Johnnie has sent a letter to WSP designers, regarding the loss of the Triangular Path.

--- City Centre – Lindsi (C), Stephen E, Hugh, Su, Liz. Chris, Simon. Lindsi to coordinate list of connectivity issues, of routes in City Centre.

--- Eling – John H (C), Jim, others when necessary.

Afternote: Jim rode across Eling Toll Bridge on Tuesday 12th November and found that all the cobblestones at both ends of the toll bridge have been removed and replaced with nice smooth tarmac.

--- Hospital Orbital Route - Johnnie (C), Lyn, John, Jim, Colin.

--- Ipley Cross – Eric reports back from HCC mts (attends as Sustrans rep).

--- Lordswood Lane - John H (C) Jim P others when necessary.

--- Portsmouth Rd – Johnnie (C) Martin, Lindsi, Steve S.

Council Ride Audit with Tony Woodsford took place to look at the quiet route running parallel with Portsmouth Road. The attendees were happy that his report reflected the complexities.

--- Portswood /Swaythling/Stoneham Lane - Angela (C), Johnnie, Lyn, Liz, Ceri, Simon.

Council Ride Audit with Tony Woodsford took place to look to look at linking the Eastleigh section with the junction at Bassett Green Road. Issues with space, line of sight through bends and ownership of verges. Tony's report reflected all the issues. Angela and Lyn have recently cycled it, and bridge is presently closed except for bikes.

--- Salisbury Rd – Pete & Tina (C), Lindsy, Stephen E, John H.

--- Stoneham Lane, Eastleigh - Lyn (C), Liz, Angela, Simon.

HCC cycle path built extending into the city boundary. Tony looking at options for crossing road from cycle path.

--- The Avenue & Lover's Walk – Lyn (C), Ceri, Johnnie, Colin, Hugh, Pete, Tina, Stephen E, Simon, Chris and Andre.

Design hub soon. Yellow lines are going into Westbourne/Oakmount junction.

--- Quayside Rd – Lindsy (C), Eric, Liz, (Stuart).

Cycle tracks are now wider and barriers are further apart. Drop kerbs are not in a good position on Athelstan Road, making it difficult to turn onto path – we think this is still to happen as Wade said sign would be removed and it hasn't been yet.

--- Western Approach - Southampton Cycle Network Route 1 (SCN1) John Bingham (C), John, Pete, Tina, Hugh, Jon, Liz, Colin, Jim.

Jon B to arrange ride for group, to then feed back to Wade (including parking in front of Millbrook station).

--- Mapping & Signage – Angela & Johnnie (C), Lyn, Lindsy, Jim, Stephen E, Eleanor, Eric, Tina.

Johnnie is now sharing cycle routes on the website using plot-a-route. Plot-a-route now been embedded into the website with a new window.

Council has thanked us for our work on the quiet routes for the map. Now waiting for them to complete - which will be after they have finished their work on the Transforming Cities bid. We have requested our Cyclists Code go on the back of the map. This may be possible.

--- Traffic Orders: Lindsy (C), John, Hugh & Eleanor.

7. Updates

a) Web page update – Jon B would like to update the website. Johnnie is happy to look at website and assist with improvements to the website.

- b) Newsletter - Chris Brown will compile articles, and Lyn and Jon will proof read. Members asked to submit topics to the newsletter, even if just a paragraph. All Working Party leads please submit an update once requested to by Chris.
- c) Plans for new school in Shirley for age 4-16 to replace St Marks School – check cycle routes are on the agenda – suggestions to Jim please.

8. AOB

--- Take a photo.

a) Lindsay to invite councilors to our social meeting in December. Further invites to be sent to Wade and councilors for February meeting.

b) Removal of verges. We previously agreed that we don't ever want verges to be removed, and that we prefer wild flowers or pollution-sucking hedges/shrubs to be used whenever an area needs re-seeding after works (Bursledon Rd). On The Avenue, instead of replacing with similar space of grass verge, we've suggested enhancing by seeding with wild flowers. Update - Had reply from Greg re this.

Objective not to remove grass verges on paths, the statement on website statement will need care because we can't rule out adding paths to green spaces but all consideration needs to be put to replacing these and greening all areas surrounding the facility that are not actually usable bike lane. Taking space from the road should be a priority, Johnnie to follow up.

c) Document Storage - Jon will create a storage space for working groups, either on the website or a google drive, and will fwd to email list.

d) How to use Autistici emails and get on the list, Jon B sent some test emails out to invite members to sign up.

e) Meridian route from the board walk to Northam Bridge, and through the new housing to Radcliffe Road: Johnnie following up.

Temporary Board walk closure due to erosion of path at southern end – we are happy that Wade consulted us and that alternative route is through the industrial estate.

f) Mousehole Lane. SCC are looking at adding crawler lanes. Comments needed on email list request.

g) Glass and Potholes. Important that glass is reported so it can get cleaned up. There is a button 'Report a Street Cleaning Problem' - you can then select & specify Broken Glass <https://www.southampton.gov.uk/environmental-issues/street-cleaning/> Steve Shaw to follow up.

h) Pothole reporting systems need tightening up - do Southampton Council take notice of fill that hole? Johnnie D to follow up.

i) Group leaders to review their projects and feedback to the meeting and then back to Wade.

j) List of cheap easy improvements e.g. drop kerbs, short contraflows. Gather all information and distribute to the working groups.

k) Rides - Stephen Edwards had a meeting and looked at various possibilities. Ask new ride leaders to lead rides. Andre Ventress led ride to the IOW and was a great success.

9. Last thoughts...

-- Anyone want to offer to join a working group / suggest and take on a new role?

-- If want to feedback on meeting, please do. What could improve it?

-- Next meeting will be on Monday Dec 9th 7.15 for 7.30 – please bring food to share.

Next AGM in March 2020.

The Meeting closed 9:45pm