

Southampton Cycling Campaign meeting

Monday 8th Jan 2024 7.20pm for 7.30pm – 9pm on Zoom

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Highlighting = things for those reading this to do now!

SCC team we are most in contact with: Greg (who we communicate with monthly), and Tony, & Carolyn if they are running a specific project. Wade = Transport Delivery Team Leader. Martina = TCF (Transforming Cities Fund lead).

SCC = So'ton City Council

CC = So'ton Cycling Campaign (us)

SS = So'ton Street Space www.facebook.com/SouthamptonStreetSpace

1. Apologies

Ongoing apologies

Ian R, Jez H, Simon W (can't do Mondays); Hu D, Su W

Apologies

Sien vdP, Pete D, Chris T, Sharon M, Pete D, Tina D

2. Attendees

Lyn B, Johnnie D, Bethany N, Angela C, Jelmer C, Lindsy B, Eleanor vdH

3. Previous minutes (Can turn CAMERAS OFF – do interrupt as I can't see you all)

See: www.southamptoncyclingcampaign.org.uk/document-archive/meeting-minutes/

Minutes agreed. Chair welcomed all attendees to the meeting.

4. Past events

Successful Glow Ride 10/12/23, with feeder ride from Monty's. Thanks all!

Monthly ride 17/12/23 – to Hilliers – about 10-12 of us had a good ride.

Twitter and facebook – lots posted

If you're on Twitter, please share: @SotonCycling

Please also share fb articles and "events" www.facebook.com/SotonCycling

So'ton Kidical Mass fb & Tw: <https://www.facebook.com/profile.php?id=61552109686313> & @sotonkidicalmas

Pete D has photos of the Townhill Way crossing (Cutbush Lane) "will put them as a thank you on Twitter. Cobden bridge looks good now it's been resurfaced and re-lined. I'll try and get a photo of that with and without the queues of traffic."

Autistici Mailing list: one joined. Messages including: s38 application <https://transport.southampton.gov.uk/loverswalk>

consultation until 8th Jan;

Newsletter: not this month.

Responses to queries: markings in St D (fb)

5. Future events

Future CC events:

2nd Mon of month - Zoom meeting 7.20 for 7.30pm-9pm

3rd Sunday of month - Ride, usually 9.45 meet-up : www.southamptoncyclingcampaign.org.uk/rides/ Do print our leaflet to go in bike shops, notice boards, libraries etc. Thanks for new leaflet! (Edit Kidical March? / Remembrance Day?)

Sun 21st January - social – 7pm – pub with option of food tbc.

(When lighter evenings do **leafletting** again where people stop, eg a point where cyclists pause along Weston Shore at commuter time, or Common or Boardwalk as before, with banner on barrier. Traffic lights in middle of town parks?)

Wed 20th March – Q&A with Greg & another SCC officer 5.30 for 6-7pm; 7-8pm (bring& share or buy with our £ ?) food social: 8-8.30pm **AGM** at St D Community Centre. Times tbc. A good chance to find out more, so do come along with or without questions.

Th 25th April – Tim & tbc Angela - in middle of day stall at Barton Peveril college? See below.

World Day of Remembrance - do similar on 17th Nov 2024 after monthly ride.

2024 Kidical mass rides: 17th March tbc but may change again as clash with monthly ride (changed from 3rd) – Spring Ride.

5th May – Kidical Mass International.

9th June – Kidical Mass ride in Bike Week.

22nd Sept – Kidical Mass International (Date TBC). Oct – TBC. Dec – TBC Glow Ride.

Other future events

Free Bike Doctor – My Journey <https://myjourneysouthampton.com/events> and

<https://myjourneysouthampton.com/cycle/looking-after-your-bike/bike-maintenance-in-southampton/>

Bike Kitchen at (Zedify) Bellgrave Road Industrial Weds 7.30-9pm - <https://southamptonbikekitchen.wordpress.com/>

Monty's on Wed eves <https://www.facebook.com/MontysBikeHub> - a social enterprise and charity in Sholing supporting all things cycling.

More volunteers needed at Repair Café as bike repairers. 4 venues. <https://transitionsouthampton.org/projects-repair-cafe/>
Always welcome new repairers for the Portwood one.

6. Working groups - location then non-location. SCN = Southampton Cycle Network, NCN = National Cycle Network.

We communicate mainly with Greg through a monthly email from us.

Co-ordinators of working groups communicate with Greg, Tony, Carolyn if they are running the scheme.

Lots of pictures, videos and feedback links here: <https://transport.southampton.gov.uk/> and <https://myjourneysouthampton.com/scn>

For updates, look regularly at <https://transport.southampton.gov.uk> has Major Projects, Transforming Cities, Active Travel, & Public Realm Schemes. There are too many schemes for SCC to contact us about so we do need to check this.

Sign up for SCC emails here: <https://public.govdelivery.com/accounts/UKSOUTHAMPTON/subscribers/new?preferences=true>

*Remember to invite **local cllrs** on route detail planning rides, and **let Cllr Savage** know.*

Yellow = active this month, so brief feedback to meeting. Do ask to join the working group if you want to know more. Each group can speak briefly – please join working group if want more info! (You are not committing to site visits, just getting emails and reading them and looking at plans before you respond to working group co-ordinator.)

--- SCN1 **Western Approach** – Johnnie (Co-ordinator), John H, Pete, Tina, Liz, Colin, Jim, Ian R, Sien.

--- SCN1 **Central Railway Bridge** – Stephen E (C), Jim.

--- SCN2 **Bitterne Road East/Thornhill Park Rd** - Pete D(C), Johnnie, Eric, Lindsi, Jody, Chris T.

--- SCN3 **Bursledon Rd A3024** – Pete D (C), Eric, Jody.

--- SCN4 **Park & ride to Central Station via General Hospital** and Hill Lane – see SCN9.

--- **SCN5 The Avenue/Lover's Walk** – Lyn (C), Johnnie, Stephen E, Joanne (grzy...@), Angela, Lindsi, John F, Simon, Bart, Pete, Tina, Bethany. **The s38 application to widen the path: <https://transport.southampton.gov.uk/loverswalk>**

The consultation period runs until 8th Jan at which point, then SCC will be awaiting a decision from The Planning Inspectorate who will decide the application on behalf of the Secretary of State.

--- SCN5 **Portsmouth Rd / Woolston** - Jody (C), Johnnie, Andre, Chris T, Pete D, Lindsi.

--- **SCN6 Portsmouth/Swaythling/Stoneham Lane** - Angela (C)/Ian R, Johnnie, Lyn, Simon, Ian L, Chris. **Ian R fed back to Wade about our concerns about exclusive cycle phases (Lodge Rd junction).**

--- SCN7 **Bitterne Triangle** - Eleanor (C), Lindsi, Liz, Jon B, John F.

--- SCN9 **Hospital Orbital Route & SCN2 West & SCN4** – Michael/Johnnie (C), John H, John F, Katherine, Angela, Bethany.

--- **St Denys** – Johnnie (C), Katherine, John F, Pete D, Chris T, Jelmer C, Jon B. **Fed back to SCC about positioning of cycle markings near Priory Rd & crack (& told about collapsed wall). Enforcement of modal filter blocked on Saints match days.**

--- **City Centre** – Lindsi (C), Stephen E, Simon, Lyn, Johnnie, Jody, Jon B.

--- **Eling** – John H (C), Jim, Johnnie, Ben (Waterside), others when necessary. **Fed back re Eling - Redbridge cyclepath.**

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

--- **Northam Rail Bridge** - Lindsi (C), Lyn, (See Jan, Feb, March, June 2022 minutes as soon as we hear consultation dates. Also Nov 23 - second item in CoSS news says it's been added to the "Heritage At Risk" list - so we can rely on CoSS support if the proposals become a reality and we need to campaign.)

--- **Foyes Corner** - Lindsi (C), Colin, John H, Katherine, Andre, Ian R.

-- **Oaklands/Fairisle Rd area** - Lindsi, Jim, Pete.

--- **Sports Centre** – Lyn (C), Bethany, Johnnie, Sharon, Jez, Jim, Pete, Tina (all on WhatsApp group). (Updated detailed list of all the entrances and what is needed sent 6/8/23 to Tony & Carolyn).

--- **Kidical mass** – Jody (C), Bridie, Sharon, Marty, Ruth, Lyn, (Kate).

--- **Mapping [& Signage]** – Angela (lead liaison with SCC), Johnnie (lead on plot-a-route), Lyn, Lindsi, Jim, Stephen E, Eleanor, Eric, Tina, Pete, John F, Chris T.

--- **Traffic Orders/Planning applications** - Lindsi (C), Johnnie, Jim, John H, Hugh, Eleanor, Pete & Tina, Jody. Shared with email list and comments asked for when applicable. **Mousehole Rd crossing – discussion.**

--- **Millbrook footbridge** – add Sien

--- **Postcard, leaflet and banner designs** - Johnnie, Angela, John F, Lindsi, Jon B, Jez.

--- **HCC etc** (out of the city) - Jim, Eric, others.

--- **Newsletter** - Lyn and anyone who wants to contribute.

7. Updates

a) [Lyn] **Contact with SCC.**

Answers to last meeting's emailed questions – Greg's replies in green: awaiting.

Today's questions for Greg compiled at end of this section.

b) Share ideas with **Cycle Winchester**, like we did with Waterside. Core members plan to join our next zoom meeting & will introduce at start.

c) [Lyn] **Discussion at socials** – nothing to note.

d) [Bethany] **List of Cllrs** being updated with those who have had a cycle tour around routes that they want to know/places they go by car/bus. Bethany will email individual cllrs again (who haven't responded), before next local election.

Pete D will follow up again with Alex Houghton (Peartree) and Peter Baillie (Harefield, but lives in Sholing).

e) [Sharon] Later - Bike thefts and bike parking hubs. Sharon (or anyone else) will summarise, to probably sent to Greg next time. Maybe a proposal of what we could do &/or send select bit of these links to Greg. Flats need individual secure places / cargo bike spaces. Could do a presentment to council?

https://www.cyclinguk.org/cycle-magazine/justice-cycle-theft?utm_source=cycleclips&utm_medium=newsletter&utm_campaign=magazine-content&utm_content=justice-cycle-theft#msdynttrid=qsTvblRgcuhLkFCY3VGCjIG3IN3VebQSk5R-VXNp-ls

<https://www.dailyecho.co.uk/news/20596089.no-suspects-identified-half-bike-thefts-eastleigh/?ref=ebIn>

<https://www.ethicalreading.org.uk/programmes/sustainability/cycle-security/>

<https://www.getreading.co.uk/news/reading-berkshire-news/new-reading-cycle-hub-given-25474927.amp>

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/news/uk-england-berkshire-63503950.amp>

<https://www.reading.gov.uk/news/new-cycle-hub-in-town-centre-gets-the-green-light/>

<https://www.bpcouncil.gov.uk/news-article.aspx?title=the-dolphin-cycle-hub-officially-opens>

<https://www.spokesafe.com/dolphin-cycle-hub>

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?app=desktop&v=bJjnsHif2EQ>

<https://www.theguardian.com/uk-news/2023/sep/21/bike-theft-britain-i-showed-the-thief-the-photo-and-said-this-is-my-bike>

f) We looked at web site and for updates / clarifications needed. <https://www.southamptoncyclingcampaign.org.uk/about-us/>
Suggestions sent to David.

The 2023 rides leaflet is on the tab for rides, while the 2024 rides leaflet is on the front page – easier to link to tab.

Cycle Code – cut all except first sentence please.

On the tab, rename “news” to “Blog” or “Articles” or “Past events” as it's not actually news.

On front page, remove News heading, as minutes are twice on front page, so remove newsletters from “news” and we could add the video of Glow Ride as a new Blog.

Can the twitter bit that shows on front page be automatically updated??

Remove the older photos (to a blog?) and put in newer photos?

Remove a lot of the bike shops. Link to My Journey instead???

More to follow – please email Lyn to compile another list.

g) Request from Sustainability Co-ordinator at Barton Peveril 6th College [where many Southampton students do their A levels] who are in the process of organising an event, (Barton Earth Day and/ Or the Big Barton Give back Day - TBC), that will celebrate and encourage sustainability and help them in supporting the UN sustainable development goals..... **Thurs 25th April, a few days after Earth Day between 10am and 12.45.**There will be space for stands and a table for each attendee to display anything that they may wish to.

Lyn asked Monty's & others. Tim going as Bike Kitchen. Angela will ask/may do herself as Repair Café or Transition. **Anyone else?**

h) [Lyn] - To ask Greg:

To confirm: we communicate mainly with Greg through a monthly email from us.

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To individually report traffic lights etc, use this (& more below in the PS, including your cllrs, potholes, etc):

<https://www.southampton.gov.uk/travel-transport/report-issue/other/>

Zebra crossings do work better than traffic lights in many places – it's worked in Belmont Rd and Cemetery Rd and near Cutbush Lane. So much cheaper and much less disruption and it works.

Still not heard back from Stoneham Lane email. Another member says cycling towards Eastleigh works fine at 6.30am but doesn't work after 7am on workdays. It usually works coming back from Eastleigh to Southampton.

Members are getting frustrated by the number of new advance stop cycle lights that don't work – despite us reporting them again and again. We are willing to help but it just comes up again and again that the detail on these lights is just not working. Cycles then get moaned at as cycles are getting fed up waiting. So much money must be being spent on these lights.

Bike parking was hidden by Christmas market, despite us being reassured that bike parking wouldn't be hidden.

On Burgess Rd, between Broadlands Rd and University Rd https://maps.app.goo.gl/j33zzyDwKLTLLXXfB7?g_st=ic there are now construction hoardings up. Presumably there's going to be some new university building here. This is an opportunity to consider a revision of the on-road cycle lane here. Can this stretch be improved? Are you considering any improvements as part of the planning process?

Wands get damaged again and again, eg St Denys Rd. Please learn from what happened outside Avenue Church on The Avenue and just put in a more sturdy wand at the start of each set of wands.

The cycle signs are still not up at the north of the station, even we saw the designs ages ago!

Some weird signage of routes, eg Onslow Rd to stadium via Rockstone Lane is a very bizarre route to get to stadium. Could routes and signs be checked with people who cycle? There's also misleading signs near Boardwalk.

8. AOB - & stop press since meeting: (TAKE A ZOOM PHOTO NOW)

a) Lindsy - signage (as above - to Greg)

b) Johnnie – Glen Eyre – the new design could be dangerous and cyclists squeezed – if intention is to encourage cyclists should there be some signage to discourage rat-running? See how it works in practice for now.

c) Eleanor – zebra crossings better than traffic lights – it's worked in Belmont Rd and Cemetery Rd (as above – to Greg).

9. Last thoughts...

New members – please speak! Do join Newsletter list to get infrequent newsletters and Autistici if want regular emails. Anyone want to offer to join a working group/take on a new role, eg social media/Instagram. Any feedback on meeting?

Next meeting – second Monday of each month (except August perhaps).

Next AGM March 2024 - St Denys Community Centre, Priory Road, SO17 2JZ (please also bring your own cup to all meetings, then no one has to wash up at the end)

PS

1 Everyone log potholes, esp on NCN routes: <https://www.southampton.gov.uk/travel-transport/report-issue/potholes/>

Street cleaning: <https://www.southampton.gov.uk/environmental-issues/street-cleaning/>

Other street issues: <https://www.southampton.gov.uk/travel-transport/report-issue/other/>

My Journey: [Contact Us | My Journey Southampton](#)

CLRs: [Your Councillors | Southampton City Council](#)

Abandoned bikes, especially on bike racks: [xxxxx https://www.southampton.gov.uk/travel-transport/report-issue/potholes/other/](https://www.southampton.gov.uk/travel-transport/report-issue/potholes/other/)
then “something else” ??

CLr Eamonn K says to keep logging rides on Love to Ride, as council sees the numbers.

If you see a Voi incident you can report it at [Voi Scooters - Report a Voi](#)

You can sign up to get emails <https://public.govdelivery.com/accounts/UKSOUTHAMPTON/subscriber/new>

2 Future newsletters (if someone wants this role) could include sections on (1) maps/route planning apps etc, (2) could do themed newsletters – eg GTRP; SCN1 and deliver to businesses on the route and hand out to people on the route, (3) ask the readers what they want from it / ask us questions / submit things, (4) videos and photos! Could do A5 paper copies for bike shops in future if high enough quality articles in newsletter. Draft here for any articles for future newsletters:

https://docs.google.com/document/d/1Lxbske6W_sFiMFe_x-r5dcPxxNM_2gUZBnFNpiNEeNo/edit?usp=sharing

3 Ian L & Lindsy – big ride next yr bike week with live music in trailer/tandem, invite CLRs, NHS, MPs, Breeze riders? Naked Bike Ride? DJ @DomWhiting – on Twitter? Breeze rides – British Cycling – south coordinator (Vicky Smith). Monty's rides. Critical Mass again?

4 **Accessibility forum** 2023 - 25th Jan & 12th July & 6th Nov (no Cycle Forum since Covid) on Teams.

5 **TO ADD TO AGM NOTES** so that all members see it annually:

Constitution - any changes since 2018? Scroll down on <https://www.southamptoncyclingcampaign.org.uk/about-us/> Any amendments need to go to an EGM or at AGM.

Things CC own –

Stall “stuff” - Lyn has leaflets, postcards, 2 banners, flags (CC and Kidical), bag of Kidical props, Ian L’s posters, tabards.

Speakers – Ian R. Others have borrowed already. (We can borrow Stephen Dominy’s and Bike-it Ray’s.)

Design manual – Jon B.

Books - Lindsa has Mark Brummel’s old books and a design manual.

Gazebo bought with Big Bike Revival £ kept at St Denys (used at Repair Cafes) - if ever needed (like Sporterium we needed one), Ruth collected on cargo bike when RCommunity Day Service was open, as they have key for container it’s stored in.

We will add this list to AGM notes so we stock-check each year.

Bike Week planning needs to happen from March AGM, being confirmed at April meeting, including talks (eg wooden bikes or Wade/Greg visit), films (like Cara did?), like Bike Festival (Sharon – Feb half term)

What else do we need to check each year?

2024 AGM – constitution amendments:

2018 constitution – please let me know any other changes, and we’ll amend at AGM.

Scroll down on <https://www.southamptoncyclingcampaign.org.uk/about-us/>

4.1 Full (ie on Autistici Mailing list) add the word “may” pay a fee. move “invitations”. Associate (ie on Newsletter list)

5.2 Cut “management?” Committee with treasurer? Cut secretary role

5.6.5 Cut? Meeting 10 times a year

5.6.6 Chair not chairman

6.2 Committee again

6.5 “quickly”? role of working groups - feedback to SCC and speak for CC? Committee again

6.6 If there’s a controversial or major issue where the working group is speaking for the whole CC, the CC should be informed of the nature of the issue.

7 Add “annual”

7.1 AGM

7.4 quarter of “full” membership – as of now, 194 members getting “Newsletters” and 49 on Autisitca Mailing list

7.5 cut “voting”

7.6 secretary

Agreed: Working Groups announce on Autistici list that they are active, so everybody has chance to join. It’s also shown in minutes. Then NO need to send to Autistici list unless big disagreements within the working party. Must be careful with confidential &/or advance info going to list. So don’t send to Autistici.

Clarify (where?) that as CC we don’t particularly like shared use, but sometimes it’s the only option as not a blank canvas, and often it’s part of a link to schools etc.