

Notes of a CCC Meeting 17 December 2012

PRESENT

Stefano Casalotti (Chair), John Chamberlain, Jean Dollimore, Angela Hobsbaum, Alexandre Santacreu, Geoff Stilwell, Helen Vecht, Alex McKinnell (Notes).

Plus David Arditti, Elmer van de Wel and Susan Seymour.

APOLOGIES

James Brander, Meade McCloughan.

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF 19 NOVEMBER 2012

OK.

MATTERS ARISING

Noted that two guests from the Queens Crescent Community Centre would be coming to the January 2013 meeting, and that David Cohen will report on the conference “Living Suburbs: Getting to Copenhagen”.

Brief discussion on the feedback from the meeting at the Sidings identified: -

- On training for young adults (and indeed for ride leaders and Agewell for the over 50's) the first step was to get in touch with trainers. Jean Dollimore would get in touch with Camden over this.
- There was discussion over possible Dr Bikes at the Sidings: Cycletastic might promote these.

REGENTS CANAL – ALTERNATIVE ROUTES

Angela Hobsbaum and Jean Dollimore had joined Rosie Tharp (Strategic Routes Coordinator) for a ride along the Camden section of the canal. They had detected a change in emphasis from that in Dick Vincent's presentation: Rosie's emphasis was on providing links from canal access points to existing cycle routes. There was no budget for any of this. The aim should be to pressure boroughs to allocate money. Elmer van de Wel offered to help in this by carrying out origin and destination surveys.

COBDEN JUNCTION

John Chamberlain and Jean Dollimore had attended a site meeting with Camden officers on this on the morning of a day when the Camden officers were due to meet TfL in the afternoon. Various diagrams and plans had been produced – one produced by Camden seemed helpful. Further developments awaited.

EXTERNAL MEETINGS

Angela Hobsbaum had attended a meeting with members of Islington Cyclists Action Group (ICAG). A representative of Hackney Cyclists was also there. Items discussed were: -

- Old Street roundabout;
- Archway roundabout: the Borough of Islington have a scheme which they would like to implement before the 2014 elections which involves buses being able to go through the middle of the roundabout. The junction was in Islington (though near the boundaries with Hackney and Camden). We would consult with ICAG before making any comments on the scheme.

Quarterly meeting with Camden officers

John Chamberlain and Jean Dollimore had attended a meeting with Camden officers. The agenda included the usual concerns about the problem at Crogsland Crossing and a new item on our review of the recently implemented cycle permeability scheme in West Hampstead. Officers to get back to us as to changes they will make.

FITZROVIA AREA ACTION PLAN

This was a Neighbourhood Area Action Plan containing little on roads, and less on cycling, cycle parking or cycle storage. Stakeholders had been consulted, but this had not included cyclists: should we be concerned? We should be if cycling permeability was reduced. John Chamberlain would circulate the plan to the Committee, when a decision could be made whether to respond to the consultation.

ANY OTHER BUSINESS

Helen Vecht reported that [REDACTED] (CyclingMikey on Twitter and You Tube) would be attending the March 2013 meeting.

MEMBERS MEETING

Seasonal festivities followed the committee meeting.

NEXT MEETING

Monday 21 January 2013 at Primrose Hill Community Centre, 9 Hopkinsons Place NW1 8TN – Chair John Chamberlain.