

Notes of a CCC Meeting 17 June 2013.

## **1. PRESENT**

Angela Hobsbaum (Chair), John Chamberlain, George Coulouris, Jean Dollimore, Geoff Stilwell, Helen Vecht, Alex McKinnell (notes).

Plus David Arditti.

## **2. APOLOGIES**

Ben Edmonds, Stefano Casalotti, Meade McCloughan, Alex Santacreu.

## **3. MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF 20 MAY 2013**

3.1 Re minute 4.2 Geoff Stilwell pointed out that only 4 people had taken part in the latest training ride.

## **4. MATTERS ARISING**

4.1 Re May minute 7.4, noted that the Police had not been asked to speak at the July meeting. James Earl had agreed to speak.

4.2 Helen Vecht still to approach Mike van Erp.

4.3 When Mike van Erp firmed up, Jean would approach Brian Deegan (TfL).

4.4 July's meeting will definitely be at The Sidings.

## **5. REPORT ON EVENTS**

5.1 Round Camden Ride: Successful. View expressed that we should in future rides seek more publicity for CCC. Geoff Stilwell agreed to design a banner, which could be carried in future rides, with wording along the lines of "Camden Cyclists – Round Camden Ride". Jean is putting on the e-mail list those participants not already on it who provided an e-mail address.

In future it was considered that we should provide a front marker as well as a back marker, helpful if the leader went too fast.

5.2 Dr Bike on Regents Canal Towpath: this was really a survey exercise on alternative routes to the Regents Canal Towpath organised by Rosie Tharp. On the day the towpath was blocked, which reduced cyclist numbers considerably.

## **6. LIBRARY DISPLAYS IN BIKE WEEK**

6.1 Display in Kentish Town Library not going ahead.

6.2 Display in Swiss Cottage Library going ahead – rota of attendance at stall noted.

## **7. FRESHERS WEEK IN OCTOBER**

7.1 It was not clear what LCC were doing yet.

## **8.1 CAMDEN CONSULTATIONS**

8.1 Following a successful challenge of a ticket issued to a motorist in Grafton Road, Camden had issued a consultation proposing options, amongst which were continuation of the status quo (tidal flow arrangements for motorists) or total closure. After discussion it was agreed that John Chamberlain would consult members and then draft a response favouring total closure. We should encourage individual responses.

8.2 Camden were consulting on a scheme involving moving a zebra crossing to outside Brookfield School in Chester Road N19 and some pavement widening in Croftdown Road and Raydon Street. Agreed that the zebra crossing ought to have a raised surface. Angela Hobsbaum would consult members and then draft a response.

## **9. RIDES LONDON FREECYCLE 2013**

9.1 This will be on Saturday 3 August 2013, with the traffic free circuit open from 9.00 a.m. till 4.00 p.m., plus a Grand Prix event from 5.30 p.m. till 7.30 p.m. LCC were seeking local groups' assistance to organise feeder rides to the event. LCC would pay £160 to local groups to defray expenses.

In the past CCC have organised feeder rides from Swiss Cottage – these have proved extremely popular.

Agreed to run one (or possibly two) rides from Swiss Cottage leaving at 10.00 a.m., and one ride back leaving at 4.00 p.m. John Chamberlain would e-mail LCC that we would organise these rides. He would e-mail members seeking marshals. Noted that marshals would be given special tabards, and have the use of a secure parking and refreshment area.

## **10. INSURANCE ON RIDES**

Angela circulated a note that she had prepared, which was agreed to be very clear. It will be put on the web site.

## **11. CAMDEN TRANSPORT LIASON COMMITTEE**

11.1 Noted that Jean will be attending on 25 June 2013.

## **MEMBERS MEETING**

Stephen Edwardes, Tom Franklin, Susan Seymour, Stephen Taylor and Steve Cowan joined us.

## **12. PLANS AND ACHIEVEMENTS 2012-3**

12.1 We reviewed achievements for 2012-13. Three permeability projects had been completed, although the first of these had been proposed five years ago, emphasising how long projects took to achieve. There had been two inspection rides, and it was agreed to organise some more (e.g. taking in Fleet Road and Maitland Park Villas). We had attended fairs, and Kentish Town bike maintenance project had been very successful. We had done well with the 4 speakers at our meetings. There was discussion about one big campaign for this year. It was agreed to try by the next meeting to propose one big project consistent with the Mayor's Vision for Cycling.

## **13. HAMPSTEAD FAIR**

13.1 Stephen Taylor outlined details of the Fair, being held on 30 June 2013. Heath Street would be closed to traffic all day between Whitestone Pond and the Station.

13.2 Angela Hobsbaum would run a stall all day on the corner of Upper Terrace and Heath Street supplying maps and LCC leaflets. John Chamberlain would lead some rides from the stall through back-street routes. In view of the gradients it was hoped to have some electric assisted bikes available.

## **14. NEXT MEETING**

Monday 15 July 2013 at the Sidings Community Centre, 150 Brassey Road, West Hampstead, NW6 2BA – Chair Geoff Stilwell