

Draft Minutes of Meeting between CCC and Camden Officers

7th Sept 2016, 15.00 - 17.00

Present:

Camden: Councillor Julian Fulbrook (JF), Natasha Brown (NB), Simi Shah (SS), Anthony Christofi (AC), James Abbot (JA), Alexis Bielich (AB)

CCC: John Chamberlain (JC), George Coulouris (GC), Jean Dollimore (JD)

1. Tavistock Place - Midland Road

JD outlined the 'Bloomsbury Cell' idea used in CCC's effort to explain to Judd Street residents that Camden's proposals will improve their street. CCC anxious that Camden should not offer a left turn out of Mabledon Place into Euston Road – it would not reduce motor traffic in Judd Street and would make the junction dangerous for cyclists.

<http://camdencyclists.org.uk/2016/08/motor-traffic-congestion-in-judd-street/>

SS: is explaining to residents that they can have congestion reduction at the cost of slightly more awkward access.

2. Royal College Street northern extension - snagging list

SS quoted Yuksil Arikan:

Estimated that the works including improvements on RCS between Pratt Street and Georgiana Street will be complete by 10th October. Lining and signage possibly before.

Dropped kerbs at loading bay when team available.

Discussed danger at junction of Baynes Street where CCC requests a Stop sign as in Pratt and Plender: Stop signs require DfT approval.

Camden will look at possibility and check existing signage.

Camden will look at removing the 3 armadillos at top of St. Pancras.

Camden will change the timings on the loading bay. (10 am - 4pm)

3. Items not on spreadsheet

a. Cycle Counters. Pancras Road counter dead since 18th June.

GC noted Camden is using open data and that this made it easy to display the counter data on CCC website. This page will be publicised once both counters are in use: <http://camdencyclists.org.uk/camdens-cycle-counters/>

JA: Explained that the induction loop was damaged by road works. Will fix in 2-3 weeks.

b. Post 2016 GRID funding

NB+SS: Waiting for confirmation on current grid funding for delayed schemes (e.g. Tavi Place and Delancey-Pratt. Have sent a list to TfL for post 2016. Concern to ensure that it is connected to pre-2016.

c. Revive the Quick Wins initiative in Sept.

AB: is planning to do some of them.

- Menelik Road dropped kerb (requiring a consultation on moving parking)
- Dartmouth Park Rd 'except cyclists' is on.
- Willingham Terrace - rests with Steve Cardno
- Healey Street - concerned about objections from local residents due to motorbikes; JC pointed out that in Lissenden Gardens, m/cs always went through, but safer now.
- Discussion of wheel channel to cycle parking at Brunswick Centre.

NB+SS: Not sufficient officer capacity to deal with new QWs yet.

d. Bartholomew Road bollards

SS: to go ahead by December; noted that uncontroversial as listed in consultation results. JD noted she had asked Hasher Mahnavi for drawing.

4. Items from Spreadsheet to include the following

CS 6

JF: noted concerns about cycling through Greville Street with number of pedestrians expected when CrossRail opens. Also noted complaints from residents of the Ziggurat in Saffron Hill but said they would have to accept the situation.

CCC: would like to discuss design details of Camden section in particular priority change at junction Calthorpe Street and widening the cycle gap into Ampton Street at Grays Inn Road.

CS 11

SS: Camden working with TfL; supports scheme but wants to see modelling of the effects on streets distant from the gyratory before finally accepting the scheme.

GRID

- Delancey-Pratt
Right turning buses (31) at Pratt junction with Camden High St are a problem. Could signalise but would delay a year or more. TfL asking for changes in Bayham Street with possible route through Greenland Street from terminus to start point in Camden High Street (but bus stop is south of Greenland Street)
- Parkway junctions.
SS: concerns safety at Albany junction. Issues with modelled effects of CS11 on Prince Albert Road. Yavuz Kalayci ('Yo') will organise a meeting
- Hampstead Road. Consultation on buses...what next?
SS+NB: Camden just as shocked as CCC that TfL had consulted on buses when a cycle scheme had been promised. Suggested a route on Eversholt Street – doesn't link with Gower Street
SS: Meeting with TfL tomorrow. Buses being obstructive.
- Russell Sq-Percy Street, Arlington Road, Red Lion Street.
Meeting will be scheduled with AB
- Pancras Road - Goodsway

SS: Will have to be redesigned. Conflict between Ped crossing and WB cycle track due to TfL rules on Ped crossing. Options favouring cycling or walking but not both.

CC: cycle safety vs pedestrian comfort

SS: Darren Barton to show designs to CCC after consultation with Cllr Jones.

- Hampstead Rd-Crowndale Road
Awaiting response from John Fitcher to understand if it can be added to post 2016 grid

Major projects

- Holborn - we met JA, NB 27.6.16. Promised consultation in Sept...(James)
JA: Includes banned left turns from Bloomsbury Way; talking to TfL buses re bus delays.
- WEP - plans for construction?
Starts in January.
- GC: We haven't seen Gower Street junctions. CCC to Email kevin.stears@camden.gov.uk to request a meeting with Andy Helyer.
- Hawley Road. 2-way.
SS: Meeting once modelling is available.

QW3.SS: would like CCC response on Belsize Roundabout re-design. She has no solution to CCC concern about Fairhazel traffic.

St Marks Square

Discussion on objections from Vicar St Marks Church who wants parking for hearse etc and all other parking on the east side. This would reduce the total number of parking spaces and there isn't room to leave some on west side with contraflow.

Bikehangars: Installing in October

Other projects

- Gospel Oak 2-way
AC: Now two schemes (i. 'do nothing'; ii contraflow on Fleet Road between South End Green and Mansfield Road);
JD: enquired about left hook at Park Hill Road:
AC: can change geometry but not considering a closure
- Kentish Town Road Junctions
SS: 'Yo' doing Castle Road; consultation in autumn
- Rochester Road gate,;
SS: concerned about right turn; JC: will inspect and report back
- Cycle right turn from Castlehaven at Prince of Wales Road
Some drawings exist. JC asked to forward the latest email from Yavuz to Natasha & Anthony
- Chalk Farm scheme - many possible goodies being investigated:
AC: to include crossing from Ferdinand Street over Chalk Farm Road to superstore road; the one-way section of superstore road to be redesigned so that 2-way motor vehicles use only the western arm. Improved access past superstore (which is being rebuilt) to Oval Road.
Regents Park Road to be closed at Chalk Farm Road and Crogsland crossing simplified as a standard Toucan crossing
Malden Road @ Prince of Wales Road junction to be tightened
Stepped track on Prince of Wales Road between Kentish Town Road and Malden

Road (?why not whole way?)

Improve junction Haverstock Hill@ Prince of Wales Road (ease right turn for cycles)

- Acacia Hasler working on this.

Trouble shooting: SE corner Russell Sq

SS: noted that this has been fixed. JD and JF confirmed that the NB traffic on on Southampton Row stops and then the SB traffic is given an 'ahead and right' filter arrow. JF noted that this had taken three years.

5. Date of next meeting

1st December at 10 a.m.