

Minutes of Quarterly Meeting November 2017 between CCC, LLS and Camden Officers (DRAFT)

Monday 27 November 10 am - 12 noon

Present: Jean Dollimore, John Chamberlain, George Coulouris (CCC); John Hartley (London Living Streets); Simi Shah, Kieran Ward, Sam Margolis (Camden Council).
Apologies: Councillor Julian Fulbright, Louise McBride.

1. Camden's LIP for transitional year 2018-19

SM: The LIP for 2018-19 will be followed by a new 3-year LIP to be based on guidance from the new MTS. Camden's Transport Strategy (CTS) from 2011 may need to be updated to reflect the new MTS. The CTS will include targets e.g. for modal shares that can be referenced in the LIP. In the 2018-19 LIP, substantial Sn 106 funding has been identified for some of the schemes, e.g. Gospel Oak and Kings Cross. Also surplus parking income.

Summary of area-based schemes

- Gospel Oak: improvements at South End Green and Mansfield/Agincourt Rd junctions; Cressey Road permeability; JC: CCC had hoped for contraflow on east end of Fleet Road. [SS will consider again.]
- Kilburn: scheme for Kilburn High Road plus LN bid; if LN bid fails, will do just the scheme.
- Kings Cross: 2 junctions: Midland@Pancras and Camley@Pancras imminent implementation.
- Camden Town and Kentish Town: 2-way cycling on Hawley Rd; KTR junctions @Highgate Rd, @Regis Rd, @Castle Rd.
- Farringdon: Stage 3 – cycle lanes on Grays Inn Road south of Argyle St; CCC mentioned GRID alignment aspiration, SS confirmed also Camden's aspiration; also Stage 2 small cycling improvements. [SS to send details for Stage 2]
- Holborn: tube station junction and Vernon Place safety improvements.
- Chalk Farm: junctions @Adelaide Rd, @PoW and @Ferdinand St
- Fortune Green: eliminate rat running around Hampstead School. [SS to send area map so that CCC can ask for suggestions].

Other items of interest

- Healthy School Streets: (Michelle Jamieson): upcoming consultation for Gospel Oak School; Acland Burghley (Dartmouth Park Hill - Oakford Rd)
- Quick Wins
- Bikehangars and cycle parking
- Road safety to match the MTS Vision Zero (no KSIs by 2041); update CTS and increase budget; bespoke schemes e.g. Fitzjohn Avenue; Tufnell Park junction.

2. Camden's Liveable Neighbourhoods bids

SM: Camden and Brent have put in a joint bid for an area on both sides of the shared boundary; the area on the Camden side is bounded by Maygrove Road, West End Lane and Belsize Road with a complementary area reaching Priory Rd on the west and Belsize Road on south. The work will include the existing Kilburn High Road scheme together with improvements either side such as side road closures and two-way cycling.

Camden will also study the Holborn area to assess its suitability for a bigger LN bid next year.

3. Quietway 3 concerns

JC: CCC are unable to support the route because of heavy traffic levels but are also aware that Camden wants to build QWs.

KW: we all agree it's difficult due to too much parking and we struggle to find a better alternative; Camden has commitment with TfL to build QW3; there are benefits e.g. at Belsize roundabout. We are aware CCC is struggling to accept Fairhazel Gardens; possibility of using CS11 changes to reduce motor traffic on Fairhazel Gardens.

SM: past experience shows that if a borough does not build, they (in this case, Camden) may risk losing funding.

SS: would say there will be marked improvements on key sections; could try to pick up traffic reduction under the LN scheme.

CCC: we might be able to say we welcome the improvements but don't think the route is up to standard; GC: An agreement with TfL on a review at a later date could be helpful.

SS: QWs in general: following a report to Adam Harrison, Camden has permission to sign existing routes e.g. RCS. In response to SS's remark that there is a dearth of QWs outside the central area, CCC suggested the Primrose Hill – Kilburn route which will be improved at the junction with Avenue Road when CS11 goes in.

4. Cycling and Walking projects

- Delancey-Pratt: SS was aware of the petition but had very short notice it would go to a full council meeting on 20th November. Modelling on combined Phase 1 and 2 and HS2 to be shared with residents and stakeholders. New report to include report on consultation on alternative bus route via Greenland Street and recommendations to implement Phase 1 and consult on Phase 2 – to be approved by Cllr Harrison before purdah for May 18 council elections.
- Brunswick Square and Midland Road: SS has asked for legal advice as to whether Camden could proceed before the result of Public Inquiry is known. KW: if the inspector rejects TaviPlace, Camden will need to consider whether Brunswick Square and Midland Road can proceed.

5. Quick Wins + permeability

- GC circulated a list of outstanding Quick Win requests;

SM: Max Lyne is working on Quick Wins and has picked out six (including Kentish Town Road 'no entries') and will report back on the harder ones;

SS: Alexis has gone through them and will provide update.

[GC to send the list of outstanding requests to Alexis/SM/KW and SS]

JD: said that the new right turn exceptions for cyclists from Castlehaven Road and Grafton Road at the Prince of Wales junction were very much appreciated.

6. Cycling Projects Table Spreadsheet

- #8 Royal College Street

the 'bulge' by Georgiana Street: JC has established that UK power networks are now occupying the site; KW will take action to clear the site.

Baynes Street junction: SS: noted that there are now red warning signs beside the cycle track but she plans to approach Will Norman to persuade TfL to permit a right turn from Camden Road into RCS north.

KW: queues are always bad; some discussion followed as to remedies in addition to the above-mentioned right turn.

Loading bay hours: still need to be changed to 10 am-4pm.

[SS to remind Darren]

- #32 Chalk Farm: KW: as planning permission was granted for the Camden Goods Yard site, Sn 106 funding should soon be available. Discussion of the junction where Superstore approach meets Chalk Farm Road - current design shows a separate signal for cycles but not on Chalk Farm Road. Access to/from Ferdinand St included. CCC to be consulted on design detail.
- Arrange meeting to discuss other cycling projects: These will include meetings with Raymond and Acacia on Hawley Road and Tufnell Park in about two weeks time and with Yo and Steve Cardno or Kieran on the Kentish Town Road junctions and Rochester Road gate. Also with Alexis, Max Lyne and SM on Quick Wins.

[CCC to make list and send to Simi]

7. AOB

- Bikehangars

SS: Until now Tabrez has done all of the consultations and TMOs. The load will be spread for the next batch agreed with CycleHoop.

SM: due to procurement issues, consultation will offer a choice between Asgard and CycleHoop. This is a rolling program and for the time being Camden will continue with the subsidy that allows people to pay less in the first year.

CCC concern about potential recipients responding to the consultation.

If CCC are asked, advise people to register with CycleHoop and email Richard Riddle.

SM: Richard Riddle is coordinating the installation of bike hangars on housing estates.

8. Date of next meeting

Provisional date: Tuesday 27th February 10 am - noon. To be confirmed with Cllr Julian Fulbrook.