

Camden Cycling Campaign Meeting Minutes



Committee Meeting

18 June 2018, 18.30 - 19.30

Primrose Hill Community Association

Attending Chair: John Chamberlain, Minutes: Berwyn, Sean Howes, Helen Vecht, Jean Dollimore, George Coulouris, Steven Edwards, Simon Pearson

Apologies Geoff Stilwell, Meade McCloughan.

1. Minutes of 16th of April meeting

- a) The minutes of AGM and previous committee meeting were approved.

2. Matters arising from the minutes

- a) Steven to write a draft response to Bob Warnock re. Extension of cycle networks
- b) Drop the idea of having an additional workshop as bike workshops have not been well attended recently.
- c) CS11 and 100 Avenue Rd. Construction of CS11 will begin in July
- d) Bike week - breakfast 13th June. Thanks to Helen for coordinating.
Over 200 signatures collected re. unblocking obstruction to cycle path in Purchase Street and Polygon Road (presented to Cllr Harrison that evening).
Lea Valley bike ride 10th of June had 24 people
- e) Fairs Camden New Town and possibly York Rise.
Possibility to give out leaflets at a film on Fortune Green

3. CS11 and Avenue Rd

- a) CS11 and 100 Avenue Rd. TfL intends to start work on the Swiss Cottage Gyratory on 23rd July. Discussions re. Regents Pk are ongoing.
Westminster Council will challenge approval with Judicial Review.
- b) Sean to organise a demo against Westminster Council. Meeting to plan action on 26th June, 7:30 pm at Yorkshire Gray Langham Street, People already angry about Westminster's blocking of Oxford Street pedestrianisation. Goal: to demonstrate at 6pm on weekday evening in July

- c) John, George and Jean at Quarterly Meeting with Camden Officers on 25th June will ask if they can confirm that TFL will begin work in July
- d) we should ask Simon Munk about LCC response to the threatened Judicial Review

4. Tavistock-Torrington

- a) CCC and London Living Streets have written a response to the inspector's report and discussed it with Cllr Harrison. Jean is to put it on the website and advertise via Twitter. See <http://camdencyclists.org.uk/2018/06/taviplace-inspectors-report-and-cccls-response/>
- b) The temporary traffic order expires in November. Officers will write a response for consideration at a Cabinet Meeting in September.
- c) To discuss Camden's plans and actions at the Quarterly meeting
- d) Sean noted that with westbound motor traffic, the Judd St intersection would be safer for cycling while Jean noted that CCc had proposed a signalling solution. Sean suggested that with westbound motor traffic, reversing traffic to Eastbound between Tottenham Crt Rd and Gower St would be an improvement.

5. Mailing Lists

- a) Mail outs to groups should go through Jean, Helen or John as CCC can only communicate with people through LCC.
- b) Thanks to LCC for help with CIVICRM which we now have to use instead of MailChimp for Helen's monthly enews and Jean's mailouts about the Kentish Town Bike Workshop

7. AOB

- a) Ride London feeder rides on the 28th July 9.45-10am from the Sidings and 10.30 from Swiss Cottage. John to check with Geoff
- b) Bedfordshire Ride on 12th August with George leading

General Meeting

18th June 2018, 19.30 - 21.00

Attending All of the above plus Anita Frizzarin, Anne Boston, Paul Braithwaite, Martin Nelson, Angela Hobsbawm and the speaker Caroline Russell.

1. Somers Town cycle route

- a) 238 signatures collected during the bike week breakfast and later in the day, George, John and Jean met with Cllr Adam Harrison who accepted the petition from us

John reported that Adam Harrison had emailed him saying that

-Polygon Road should be reopened in the next 2-3 weeks.

- planters will be used instead of plastic barriers in the Open space

No mention of Purchase Street

2. Status of West End Project

3. Speaker

- a) Caroline Russell the only Green party councillor in Islington as well as a London Assembly Member and Environment Committee Chair gave us an update on the Mayor's progress in support of active travel. She is a member of Living Streets and LCC. The aim is to have 80% of transport - walking, cycling or public transport by 2043. Question is how to reduce traffic to create Healthy Streets. One good innovation was to introduce cycle counters which revealed the increased numbers of cycle journeys.

Discussed blackfriars Bridge, Archway and Highbury corner giratories and Hostile Streets and polluted areas in outer London.

See an illustrated account of this talk at

<http://camdencyclists.org.uk/2018/06/talk-by-caroline-russell-at-our-meeting-on-18-june/>

invite

- b) John will ask Caroline Lucas and Sian Berry as future possible speakers.

Next Meeting

16th July 2018, 18.30 - 19.30, Primrose Hill Community Centre.

Chair- Steven Edwards