

Camden Cyclists Meeting Minutes



Committee Meeting

Monday 18th March 2019 18.30 - 19.30

Primrose Hill Community Association

Attending John Chamberlain, Minutes: Berwyn Rutherford, George Coulouris, Steven Edwards, Chair: Sean Howes, Helen Vecht, Paul Allen, Simon Pearson.

Guest Simon Clarke from LCC

Apologies Jean Dollimore and Geoff Stilwell

1. Minutes of 18th February 2019 meeting

a) The minutes were approved.

2. Matters arising from the minutes

a) Geoff will chair for the AGM on 20th May

b) Will Norman confirmed for AGM on 20th May.

c) Rides - John will lead a feeder for family friendly ride on 6th April 1.30PM

3. Report on Campaigns and Active Management meeting

Report on Campaigns and Active Management meeting. Jean invited to discuss local groups and how they can be taught to campaign. Advice was given for local groups to "meet and greet" new members by email or face to face. Not possible at the moment due to GDPR. Action: Change LCC Policy. Simon Clarke will ask LCC board if 1 or 2 people in the local group could be entrusted with the information on new members.

4. Holborn Liveable Neighbourhood

Holborn Liveable Neighbourhood. *George on behalf of Jean*

TfL have awarded £9.5m to Camden for their proposal to create a Liveable Neighbourhood encompassing the Holborn gyratory and extending eastwards to link up with the Clerkenwell Boulevard project. The total budget is £12.5m. (There is a detailed description and map [on the Camden Cyclists website](#)). To include

- Theobalds Road: 2 way with protected cycle lane
- Bloomsbury Way: buses and cycles only
- High Holborn: 2 way with protected cycle lanes
- New Station entrance for Holborn Station on Procter street which will be closed
- Grt. Russell Street in front of British Museum: cycle and pedestrianise
- New Oxford Street between Museum Street and High Holborn: cycle and pedestrianise

Funding £12.5 million available. Consultations and public engagement to begin.

Action: Recruit campaigning group.

5. Euston Circus danger : West End Project John

Gower Street will be 2 way but just south bound for the next year due to roadworks.

Tottenham Cr. Rd. buses and cycles only all day. To open at Easter.

Unsafe junction Euston Rd. Hampstead Road and Tottenham Cr. Rd. Action: John wrote to Camden about the junction and Simon Munk offered to take the matter up with TFL.

6. Website Query from Cycle Islington:

How is the Camden Cyclists website so good, especially with reference to publication of information concerning interactions with Camden staff? John pointed out that we are responsible for minuting the quarterly infrastructure progress meetings between CCC and Camden officers. A draft is prepared by George/Jean and submitted to the officers for approval before they go on our website. In advance of each quarterly meeting a spreadsheet showing the current status of ongoing projects and proposed schemes is circulated and updated by council officers. These meetings are now attended by David Harrison of London Living Streets and his participation has been entirely positive. Action: To share with Nick..... Cycle Islington.

7. Any Other Business

The very poor outcome of Camden Council's website 'upgrade' was discussed. Very many links within the site are broken and much of the important information such as minutes of past Council and Committee meetings is difficult or impossible to find. This remains a major problem several months after the launch of the new website. The Camden IT staff are totally unresponsive.

Islington to campaign on Clerkenwell Boulevard to make it a low traffic corridor.

Old St. Roundabout. Works should begin Dec.

Prince of Wales Rd. may have a stepped cycle path.

Paul Allen Co-opted onto the committee.

General Meeting

18th March 2019, 19.30 - 21.00

Attending: All of the above plus Emma Arvati and Norman Franklin.

1. Q & A with Simon Clarke LCC

Finance -Need 800 new members a year.

Membership needs to get home and business addresses.

Discussed where and how to target new members.

Suggestions: Better marketing material

More support from LCC

Clarity of benefits of joining LCC

Distribute cards around Tavistock Place

LCC to campaign with Living Streets and emphasise clean air

2. Sharing of Best Practice

Suggestions: Share successful methods of campaigning between local branches.

Develop sub groups eg; map, planning, membership, website of people who have expertise in those areas.

Next Meeting

Monday 15th April, 18.30 - 19.30, Primrose Hill Community Centre. George chairing.