

Draft Minutes for Quarterly Meeting CCC, LLS and Camden Council

Tuesday 29th October 2019 10am - 11:30

Present: Simi Shah, Sam Margolis, Steve Cardno, Yavuz Kalayci, Cllr Julian Fulbrook (Camden), John Chamberlain, Jean Dollimore, George Coulouris, (CCC), David Harrison (LLS)

[Agenda items in Arial font, minuted info in Times]

Shared Issues

1. Compliments to Camden on Farringdon Phase 2 and on the consultation on Gray's Inn Road

JD: Farringdon phase 2 is just what we want, less permeability for motor vehicles to enable more permeability for people who walk and cycle. But CCC wants to meet Peter Ashley to discuss our audit.

The consultation on Gray's Inn Road is very well presented and CCC think the videos of the modelled simulations are excellent but they should be on YouTube so that people can easily view them.

SM: will ask Peter Ashley to contact us and noted that there was a lot of work behind the consultation.

2. Holborn Liveable Neighbourhood status, particularly inclusion of Great Queen St, gateway to Covent Garden

JD: CCC has written to Aga asking for a meeting

SM: will talk to Aga about meetings.

DH: Great Queen St is a very important walking route and suggest rat runs could be stopped by making it one way in the opposite direction to Long Acre.

JF: Gt Queen St should be closed to through traffic.

JF: issue with Freemasons and coaches

DH asked that these options should be modelled.

SM: will mention to Aga and Kevin.

3. Any plans for Future Low Traffic Neighbourhoods (e.g. West Hampstead)?

GC: has Camden a pipeline for areas to be considered?

SM: Kentish Town and Camden Town to start soon; Sustrans organising stakeholder engagement

CCC to send stakeholder suggestions (GC/JC)

SS: Area between West End Lane and Kilburn High Road: some engagement has been done; ongoing discussions with Brent; difficulty as to who could make the bid as Camden already has an LN and Brent has applied for another.

SM: the Transport Strategy calls for further LTNs and further proposals are likely to emerge as resources allow.

Note: Gillian Marston is the new Executive Director of Supporting Communities.

4. Update on Euston Circus

SS: Max Lyne is working with TfL (Dominic Cherry)

JC: TfL were looking at a route through for cyclists

SS: TfL only promised a deeper ASL; traffic levels are decreasing and ULEZ is coming in: TfL should be more bold

SC: TfL will consult next summer on a bigger scheme

SM + SS: problem because TfL stops schemes from being built because they assume traffic will increase while boroughs know it has decreased.

SM: will speak to Max after this meeting

JC: we want Max to fight our corner

SS: really Max + WEP team should take forward; CCC should raise with Max

JC: will contact Max to find out what happened to his ideas

DH: noted there had been a meeting between Jane Roberts and Adam Harrison about Euston Circus.

Pedestrian Issues

5. Jacqueline and David can report back on Central London Walking Network

DH: thanked Jacqueline, Yo and Simi for their work. Yo has done survey of interventions and their priorities; Seven Dials corridor important

YK: will look at Quick Win options and find funds

JF: asked for timetable for Holborn LN

SM: Year 1: feasibility -> engagement -> modelling; can share program with us

JF: Camden needs to talk to developers of hotel (on Central St Martins site)

SC: has met them about planning but Aga and Kevin have not

Invite Kevin and Aga to next quarterly meeting (Camden)

DH: issue of Euston Road as a barrier to pedestrians, e.g. people leaving St Pancras don't know which way to walk e.g. to BM

SS: TfL are looking at improvements on crossings

JC: CCC are planning to try to get dialogue with St Pancras Station manager regarding signage

GC: the new C6 signs (and other new-style cycle route signs) are much more visible and helpful, could a similar (but distinguished) design be used for for the CLWN

DH: regarding Seven Dials - reverse traffic flow on Monmouth St

SC: working with a consultant to study the area including also Neil St and a walking route from TCR to Monmouth St

DH: All welcome at LLS conference 28 Nov - Adam Harrison speaking

6. Update on Camden High Street - north of Britannia junction

Camden Town Healthy Streets Project and Low Emission Neighbourhood area

SM: the project starts next week. Project Plan and next steps being drafted including milestones. Sustrans will be organising stakeholder engagement; trial closure 2020 preceded by modelling; interim up to Hawley Crescent, then to Hawley Road.

Note for CCC: make this a 'project' in spreadsheet for Jan 2020 meeting incl Hawley Road and Arlington St

7. Bus stops taking too much pavement width

SS: Complaints regarding England's Lane, Adelaide Road etc. Shelters installed in the wrong place – the installer needed room to put in glass. The above two have been moved. Camden has 10-year replacement contract.

8. Any thoughts on planters and parklets

SC: Camden is supportive

SM: transport strategy includes greening but there is an issue as to whether they are a responsibility of Transport or Highway

Cycling Issues

9. Progress and plans for implementation of the Cycling Action Plan

GC: suggested that while some parts of the borough have seen encouraging progress on the planned creation of a protected cycling network others are at risk of being starved

SM: Policy in Transport Strategy is to link to existing infrastructure rather than doing isolated schemes; start in the areas with the most cycle movements at the centre and spread out so as to maximise the impact and usability; at present many important cycle and pedestrian movements start from Gospel Oak corridor and that will soon be extended to Belsize Park via the Prince of Wales Rd track.

GC: can it be accelerated?

SM: we know how much funding there is but e.g. the WP parking Levy could contribute; have used most of Sn 106 and TfL's funding has been cut.

GC: CCC agree with strategy; SM: would like to see more progress. There will be annual reports on progress and 3-yearly reviews of targets with all of the action plans.

10. RCS - plans now that UKPN works are complete, including the impact of planned redevelopment of St Pancras Commercial Centre.

JC: In 2015 consultation plan the bulge was to be taken out.

YK: Footway work being done now. Will forward drawing for 'Stage 2' to CCC – removal of bulge.

11. C6 issues including the following

SS: discussing left filters with TfL

Judd St @ Euston Road: need another sign for 'No Motor Vehicles'; enforcement camera in place but may not be in use.

SS: will organise a separate meeting for Agenda items 10 and 11(RCS track at Georgiana St and the list of C6 issues)

- a. Herbal Hill/Ray Street

SM: Closure of Eyre St Hill led to extra traffic down Herbal Hill and is only on ETO. Consult on making permanent in 2020

- b. Left filter signals for cyclists at KTR/RCS and RCS/Pancras Road junctions
- c. Congestion on Sidmouth Street
- d. Violations of 'no entry' at Judd Street/Euston Road and Pakenham/Calthorpe Street
- e. Vehicles driving down the cycle lane between Phoenix Place and Pakenham Street
- f. Concern that the routing via Goldington Crescent is missed by most cyclists, resulting in unnecessary interactions with motor traffic.

12. Cycling Projects Table Spreadsheet

The spreadsheet is [here](#).

The following items were discussed

Delancey St / Pratt St and Parkway Junctions

SS: Designs to fit new TfL criteria e.g. for passing bus stops;
separate meeting to be arranged

Tavistock / Torrington

SS: Report to be published on Friday and link sent to us.

Clerkenwell Blvd

SS: is considering whether to wait for and use the gyratory modelling in the design of Clerkenwell Boulevard.

Harrington Square

Discussed after the quarterly meeting

St Marks Square 2-way

SS: Camden has walked away from this project following failure to convince local councillors

Gospel Oak ABS

SS: Report being written: will include contraflow from Cressy Road to Lawn Road and two-way cycling in Cressey Road; Possible phase 2 to improve South End Green

Prince of Wales and Brunswick Square

JD: work will be starting on both Prince of Wales and Brunswick Square?

SM: Prince of Wales: next week

AOB

SM: CFR2: officer only meeting soon

HSS: Burghley Road is now permanent; traffic reduction of 13% over area; Savernake: traffic reduction of 11% over area

Date of next meeting

Tuesday 28th January 2010 10 am - noon