

## **Minutes of Meeting between CCC and Dave Stewart**

Monday 22nd December 2008 at 4 pm

Attended by: Dave Stewart, Chris Beasley for first two agenda items, James Brander, Jean Dollimore

### **Signs at junction Goodsway/Pancras Road/Camley Street**

The 'No Left Turn' and 'No Right Turn' signs from the east and west respectively are supposed to have sub plates indicating "Except taxis and cycles". They were signed that way until Dec 2008 when Chris Beasley decided to mask out "and Cycles". He did not inform CCC until JD contacted him on 10th December to ask why. Interchanges took place, but JD was not satisfied with the explanation: that is that the "Except taxis and cycles" wording is not recognised by DfT; they were installed by Arups on behalf of Union railways without applying for authorisation. Chris Beasley said he has application form but is waiting for Arups to send him the drawing. JD is not happy with the delay since the rights of cyclists are unclear and taxi drivers may cut them off. JD stated that she already had an assurance from Peter Blake that he would try to expedite the process.

### **Cycle access along Pancras Road**

The centre line of Pancras Road had been moved west to make room for southbound cyclists. JD asked DS whether other road users were happy with the arrangement - he said there had been no complaints. JD then urged DS to cut back the footway to alleviate the pinchpoint for southbound cyclists at the junction. DS stated it will be done soon.

### **LCN+ funding 2009-10.**

Camden bid for £1,790,000 (2009-10) but was awarded only £300,000 (2009-10). Nothing for Links 26, 29, 30, 31.

Link 28: contribution to Great Queen Street scheme, Agar Grove-Baynes £150K

Link 27: contribution to two-way Tottenham Court Road scheme. £25K

Russell Square £100K: contribution to scheme for two-way traffic all round the square

DS said that it was worth doing the CRISP studies so that proposals are properly written up and can be used when funding is available (for example if other boroughs don't use theirs). He therefore wants CCC to establish priorities in case he can get other funding.

DS also said that local funding is more likely to be available for schemes focussed on safety. Again, he wants CCC to establish safety priorities.

### **LCN+ Work schedule for 2008-9**

Listed from Dave's provisional work schedules provided at May meeting

*Link 27*

Euston Rd/Gordon St/Melton Street junction - construction of ASL in Melton Street. DS: it will be done by April 09.

KTR/RCS junction. JD stated CCC is happy with improvements.

Data sheets for Hampstead Road, Camden Road, Camden Street are TfL responsibility. **Action: DS** will follow this up with Richard Hartley of TfL.

CCC requested again (from May) that the quiet route along Arlington Road be signed north bound from Mornington Crescent to junction of Castlehaven Road

and Hawley Road. **Action: DS** to set in motion.

South Grove. DS: to be finished by end of Jan 09.

Gordon/Endsleigh in progress (Bloomsbury 20 mph consultation). DS: to Jan Exce  
Envt Cttee.

#### *Link 28*

Signal Review York Way. DS: not yet.

Agar Place/Randolph Road /St Pancras Way. DS: Work to start Jan 09 with 1-way  
north Baynes St and Agar Place (problems with garage and getting right sort of  
setts); then signals, then ASL, remove funnel.

Bedford Way, Bury Place - track resurfacing by Asset Management. DS: Bedford  
Place done.

Euston Rd crossing - emphasising of elephants feet and yellow box held up by TfL -  
Owen Bentley. **Action: DS** will follow this up with Richard Hartley of TfL.

Byng Place and Malet St. DS: "option 2 f Bloomsbury SFP" is not really a design;  
we discussed the 50 mm kerb and cycle crossing; DS expects to have to design the  
scheme.

Data sheets for Bury Place DS: next year

Blockage at bottom of Newton Street. DS doesn't know when it will be cleared.

*Royal College/Crowndale*. DS: work started, should be complete by April 09.

**Action: DS** to get gate on Goldington Crescent closed.

Ossulston Street/Phoenix Road priorities: JB put a case that the white line  
emphasises that the road route between Ossulston St and Phoenix Road has  
priority over the north-south cycle route. He suggested considering a give way at  
Phoenix Road and removal of white line. **Action: DS** to have a look.

Sign to Euston Station: CCC asked for a sign to be added; we agreed it should be  
sited at the junction of Polygon Road. **Action: DS** to get a sign installed.

#### *Link 29*

Data sheet 2F - York Way between Copenhagen and Wharf. DS: the cycle lane  
done, but not work on refuge; proposals for west of road to be deferred.

Alignment: DS told CCC that the alignment from Copenhagen Street along  
Goodsway, through the underpass under the rails, Midland Road and Brill Place  
had been agreed. But that the extension via Barnby Street to Link 27 had been  
rejected.

Signage. CCC pointed out that the signing of the entire route isn't in the Data  
Sheets.

#### *Link 26*

Data Sheet 2A-1. Says: "Provide access to quieter, more residential alignment via  
Briardale Gardens. ", but in fact the zig-zag route had been signed instead (with  
agreement with CCC). The former will not be done.

Data Sheet 3-B. Swiss Terrace in 2009-10. DS: now unlikely to be a priority.

Data Sheet Y-2. Alternative route from Eton Avenue via Elsworthy Road to Avenue  
Road bypassing the gyratory. CCC has seen the design; JB asked about a sign  
from Finchley Road. **Action: JD** to contact Dave/Yetunde with information for such  
a sign. **Note:** JD checked Yetunde's design and discovered that it includes such a  
sign. So no action here.

Data Sheet Y4-A. Avenue Road consulted on, but failed. DS: residents vote against the need to remove parking for the cycle lane, so consultation stalled. JD pointed out that consultation also included work on the junction with Elsworthy Road. DS: the junction work should be saved.

#### *Link 31*

Kilburn/Quex and Kilburn Springfield Lane depend on signal work. DS: will investigate funding.

Kilburn High Road - will liaise with Brent **Action: DS:** to liaise with Brent.

Data Sheet 1-F. Springfield Lane/Kilburn Priory. DS: the work is now complete. JD to look at it.

Data Sheet 1-G -1. Greville Road to Carlton Hill: ASLs. DS: to start soon.

#### **Safety Review**

Pancras Road. Is new position of centre line working? When will the pinchpoint at Goodsway be removed? See above, second agenda item.

Signal at junction with Goodsway - northbound cyclists can't see it. **Action: DS** to investigate

Junction at western end of tunnel under railway tracks. In meeting JD couldn't find it in Data Sheets for Link 29, but subsequently found it's 39-3-D. **Action: DS** to push it through

Discussion of cyclists exceptions to "no right turn" and "no left turn" signs. See above, first agenda item.

#### **Route Number for Link 27.**

CCC were advised to discuss this with Dave. JD pointed out that Westminster call it 6a. **Action: JB** to look for a number and find out what happens south of Westminster Bridge.

**Signage:** JB said that in Paris diamond signs are put along cycle routes to promote awareness of cyclists and asked what could/should be done for LCN+ routes. The route direction signs are for cyclists. JD pointed out that logos are used on the road. **Action: CCC?** to investigate possible signs

#### **Audits of completed schemes**

A summary spreadsheet had been prepared by John Chamberlain. The following schemes were discussed in detail.

***Spaniards Cycle path:*** CCC regretted the fact that the path is not two way end to end, due to interference from Heath and Hampstead Society. JD described problem of kerb at eastern end (for cyclists who enter path early); DS said Karl Baxter had received another complaint about this kerb. **Action: JD** to contact KB/DS (tactfully) urging him to get the kerb altered.

***Hawley Road/Kentish Town Road/Camden Street (LSS 2005)*** CCC had discussed the design with DS and Ed Quartey in early stages, asking for a build out on north and south sides of Camden Street; and objecting to left turn only lane (southbound). JB stated that having build out only on south side encourages drivers from Hawley Road to go further left on Camden Street to discomfort of cyclists. JD reiterated problem for southbound cyclists going straight on in presence of left turn only lane. CCC stated that this junction (on Link 27) is not yet safe for cyclists. **Action: JD** to contact Simi Shah/DS expressing concern about cyclists

safety and enquiring about post-implementation monitoring.

**Keppel Street/Malet Street.** CCC stated scheme was implemented according to spec, but that there should be a sign facing Keppel Street indicating two-way cycling. g straight on in presence of left turn only lane. CCC stated that this junction (on Link 27) is not yet safe for cyclists. **Action: JD** to contact William Okpoho/DS asking for the sign and pointing out that the Camden website has the incorrect design drawings.

**South Villas entry point.** CCC stated scheme was implemented according to spec, but want signage and an exception to the 'no left turn'. **Action: JD** to contact William Okpoho/DS with specification for destinations on the sign and requesting an exception plate for the 'No Left Turn'.

**Delancey Street (LSS 2006).** CCC expressed concern that the the changes had not improved things for cyclists; CCC had suggested that Delancey Street should be made single lane all the way and more effort applied to speed reduction, but instead pinch points were designed at the junctions with Albert Street and Arlington Street. A local resident had told CCC there had been accidents since scheme put in. Brian Deagan had carried out a cycle safety audit. **Action: JD** to contact Simi Shah/DS/BD asking whether there are records of the accidents and whether post-implementation monitoring has been carried out.

**Mill Lane Ped improvements (2007).** In response to consultation, CCC expressed concern at the proposal to reduce the lane widths to 3m at a zebra crossing near Solent Road where buses run and speeds are well above 20 mph. However, the scheme has been implemented as proposed. CCC is still concerned. **Action: JD** to contact David Jenkins/DS expressing concerns and requesting post-implementation monitoring.