

Notes of a CCC Meeting on 19 March 2012.

PRESENT

Stefano Casalotti (Chair), Jean Dollimore, Helen Vecht, Alex McKinnell (notes).

APOLOGIES

James Brander, John Chamberlain, Meade McCloughan.

MINUTES OF MEETING ON 20 FEBRUARY 2012

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MATTERS ARISING

Noted that the Brookfield School event had been postponed until the summer.

Velorution – one bike had been sold at a discount, and an e-mail sent to the purchaser indicating how he could help with summer events – so far no reply.

INSPECTION RIDES

So far four had been held, in Camden Town, Kings Cross, South Hampstead and West Hampstead.

Agreed that Jean Dollimore and John Chamberlain would organise one on Saturday 5 or 12 May 2012 in Kentish Town.

Also to hold three more in the summer: -

- Hampstead or West Hampstead;
- Somers Town (between Kings Cross and Euston north of the Euston Road);
- Holborn and Hatton Gardens.

TfL JUNCTION REVIEW AND POSSIBLE REVIEW OF NON TfL JUNCTIONS IN CAMDEN

Agreed that there were at least 10 junctions in Camden that we should ask LB Camden to look at – for the April meeting a list would be prepared. It was noted that Britannia Junction (at Camden Town underground station) was being rebuilt, and CCC had not been consulted.

REMOVAL OF SIGNALS IN HOWLAND STREET

Jean Dollimore had received an e-mail saying that the removal of traffic signals at the Howland Street/Charlotte Street junction was causing cyclists going west along Howland Street to be in danger from left turning motor vehicles. After discussion agreed that Jean Dollimore and Alex McKinnell would inspect the crossing and report back to the April meeting.

TOWING PATH INSPECTION

BWB were undertaking an extensive consultation exercise on towing path changes on the Islington/Camden section of the Regents Canal. Jean Dollimore reported on a consultation she had attended in Camden. One good feature of BWB's plans was the proposal to construct a ramp up from the towing path to Oval Road.

MEMBERS MEETING

George Coulouris, Bill Gentry, Angela Hobsbawm and Sheridan Kelly joined us.

GOING DUTCH – SIGNATURE OF PETITION

There was no sign that any Mayoral candidate had as yet picked up the challenge of the Go Dutch campaign.

Barnet LCC had organised meetings AM Poppy (Green), and Andrew Dismore (Labour) and Chris Richardson (Liberal Democrat). Stefano said he would approach an independent candidate.

Living Streets were holding a meeting at Friends Meeting House on 5 April 2012: Transport question Time for Mayor of London Candidates. Jean Dollimore and George Coulouris may attend.

After discussion it was agreed to: -

- e-mail the CCC list encouraging members to obtain petition forms from the LCC web site;
- encourage members to get people to sign the petition and return it to the LCC by freepost by 13 April;
- also let CCC know how many petition forms they had managed to get sent off;
- possibly celebrate in some way the person who had collected the most signatures.

BIG LCC RIDE

This was from Hyde Park Corner at 11.00 am for an 11.30 am start to Blackfriars on 28 April 2012. Agreed to run a feeder ride from Hampstead Theatre at 10.00 am on 28 April using John Chamberlain's safe route. Jean Dollimore will inform the Police if necessary. Agreed to try to get the CNJ to write about the ride. E-mail Gerhard Weiss at LCC to see if we should lead a ride back to Hampstead Theatre in the afternoon.

OTHER MATTERS

Said we were doing more Inspection Rides. The Fortess Road/Tufnell Park area was mentioned as another possibility.

Mentioned the TfL Junction Review and the idea that LB Camden should review dangerous junctions. The Brecknock Road/Fortess Road/Dartmouth Park Hill/Junction Road/Tufnell Park Road junction was raised as a dangerous junction. Agreed to come up with a list of non-TfL dangerous junctions in April.

George Coulouris mentioned the Cyclescape Group Campaigning Tool which been developed with help from Cambridge Cycle Campaign, and thought that we should use it instead of the Yahoo Group. Agreed to try it out.

NEXT MEETING

16 April 2012 at Primrose Hill Community Centre, 9 Hopkinsons Place, NW1 8TN (Chair James Brander).