

Notes of a CCC Meeting 19 May 2014

## **1. Present**

Helen Vecht (Chair), Stefano Casalotti, John Chamberlain, George Coulouris, Jean Dollimore, Steven Edwards, Angela Hobsbaum, Meade McCloughan, Alex Santacreu, Geoff Stilwell, Alex McKinnell (Notes).

## **2. Apologies**

Ben Edmonds.

## **3. Minutes of the Meeting of 14 April 2014**

OK

## **4. Matters Arising**

Jean Dollimore reported that she had lodged the HS2 Petition with the Private Bill Office {Minute 10.2 14 April 2014}.

## **5. Meetings attended by CCC Members**

5.1 Jean Dollimore had attended meetings with Camden officers: -

- Delancey Street/Parkway/Prince Albert Road/Albany Street,
- Vision for Clerkenwell Boulevard and Holborn gyratory removal,
- Midland Road/Pancras Road junction.

5.2 Jean Dollimore had attended a meeting of the **Royal Parks** Cycling Development Group. Colin Buttery had confirmed that: =

- TfL still wanted a Cycle Super Highway through Regents Park,
- Plans were to convert Baker Street to 2-way traffic,
- Plans were being developed to extend the Broadwalk Cycle Route through Marylebone Green to cross the Euston Road.

5.3 George Coulouris had attended a meeting on applying Going Dutch principles to the Kings Cross development with Argent (developers), the Cycling Embassy and TfL. Argent seemed well aware of the issues.

5.4 George Coulouris had attended a meeting of Euston Road residents. There was little awareness that the area was heavily used by cyclists. Future developments at Kings Cross will result in 30,000 students, visitors and workers using the Kings Cross site, and no thought has been given to how they will get in and out = the makings of a planning disaster by 2016.

5.5 Noted that George Coulouris is developing a website about issues in the Kings Cross area. It was up to Camden to secure safe access – we should talk to Phil Jones about this. There was discussion on proposed developments at Swiss Cottage where again a large building at 100 Avenue Road that may impinge on Swiss Cottage Market with no thought given to the cycling route which uses this.

## **6. Bike Week**

6.1 Bike Breakfast (18th June 2014) will this year be in the Somerstown Café. Helen Vecht will mention this in the next two newsletters.

6.2 Leaflets for the Round Camden Ride (15 June 2014) had been printed, and were given out for distribution to bike shops etc. This year Stefano Casalotti will ride in front with Paul Braithwaite.

## **7. Summer Rides**

7.1 The programme was: -

- Round Camden Ride (15 June 2014), Pual Braithwaite
- Ice Cream Ride (20<sup>th</sup> July 2014) – Geoff Stlwell
- Essex Ride (August) - George Coulouris ,
- Lea Valley Ride (September) – John Chamberlain.

Other possibilities were a ride by James Brander. Helen Vecht's deadline for the newsletter was approaching fast.

## **8. Cycle Parking Requests**

8.1 In view of requests for cycle parking facilities it was agreed to organise surveys of the position: -

- West End Lane (Alex McKinnell),
- Gower Street (Meade McCloughan),
- Kilburn High Road (Meade McCloughan).

## **9. Fairs and Festivals**

3.1 Meade McCloughan had obtained a list of fairs and festivals supported by L B Camden, but the list did not include dates. Discussion on those worth attending. The Marchmont Street and Swiss Cottage fairs were thought worth attending – they were probably in the first week in September.

## **10. Space4cycling**

Steve Edwards reported that it was regrettable that the S4C event in Royal College Street on 10 May was not reported in the CNJ or the Ham and High.

## **11. Future Meetings**

11.1 George Coulouris drew attention to the West End Project where publication of the consultation document was scheduled for 9 June 2014. We need the views of all cyclists who use this route in order to be able to respond. How best to get their views? It was decided to allocate 45 minutes to this on 16 June 2012, but subsequent to the meeting it was decided to hold a special open meeting on 30th June 2014.

## **Annual General Meeting**

Anne Boston, Paul Braithwaite, Cyril Cannon, David Cohen, Alex Levashev, Ellen Gates, Ann Marsh and Peter Marsh joined us.

### **12. Minutes of Annual General Meeting of 20 May 2013**

OK

### **13. Matters Arising**

Nil

### **14. Coordinator's Annual Report <http://camdencyclists.org.uk/2014/05/coordinators-report-2014/>**

Jean Dollimore gave a presentation on her final year as Coordinator. She highlighted: =

- Monthly Meetings (three at the Sidings),
- Cycle training in West Hampstead,
- Events held in Bike Week 2013,
- Social rides and campaigning rides in 2013,
- Some quick wins achieved and some harder wins, notably Cobden Junction and opening the Bloomsbury bus lane to cyclists,
- Royal College Street,
- Continuing campaigning over improving the bike lanes in Tavistock Place and removing through motor vehicle traffic from Regents Park Outer Circle and residential Streets in Kentish Town,
- The new web site – should be working within a month.

This was Jean's last year as coordinator, and a hearty vote of thanks was moved for all her hard work and achievements.

### **15. Treasurer's Report <http://camdencyclists.org.uk/2014/05/treasurers-report-2013-2014/>**

Meade McCloughan presented his report. Main points were: -

- Income over the year was £1,500 (mainly payment by LB Camden for running Bike Week events),
- Expenditure over the year was £2,500 (including one off expenditure on the new web site),
- We had waived the LCC grant for this year only.

The accounts were approved.

### **16. Election of officers and committee for 2014/2015**

The following were elected: -

Borough Coordinator  
Treasurer  
Secretary  
Committee

Angela Hobsbaum  
Meade McCloughan  
Geoff Stilwell  
Ben Edmonds, Stefano Casalotti, Jean  
Dollimore, John Chamberlain, George  
Coulouris, Steve Edwards, Helen Vecht.

## 17. A.O.B

**John Chamberlain** highlighted achievements during Jean Dollimore's term as Coordinator, for example: -

- Better relationships with LB Camden,
- New Website (will be ready in a month),
- Huge amount of work on consultations,
- Membership of many committees (e.g. Walking, Cycling Advisory Committee and Royal Parks Cycling Advisory Group),
- 2004/2005 work on Cycle Route 0 Seven Stations Link Relief Route),
- 2007 – Camden hero! Camley Street Link, Permeability.
- Kentish Town Bike Workshops
- Royal College Street Bike Lanes,
- Campaigning, Social and AgeWell rides.

## 18. Speaker.

Professor Andy Tolmie gave a talk on "What really annoys Drivers about Cyclists". Details are on <http://www.camdencyclists.org.uk/newsitems/ccc/what-really-annoys-drivers-about-cyclists>.

Proceedings concluded with a hearty round of applause and Refreshments.

## 18. Next Meeting

Monday 16 June 2014 at Primrose Hill Community Centre. 29 Hopkinson's Place NW1 8TN – Chair Angela Hobsbaum.