

Camden Cycling Campaign Meeting Minutes



Committee Meeting

21 August 2017, 18.30 - 19.30

Primrose Hill Community Association

Attending Chair: Sean Howes, Minutes: George Coulouris, Helen Vecht, Jean Dollimore, Berwyn Rutherford.

Apologies John Chamberlain, Simon Pearson,, Steven Edwards, Meade McCloughan, Geoff Stilwell

1. Minutes of 17 July meeting

a) The minutes were approved.

2. Matters arising from the minutes

- a) Quietway 3: John C had sent a version of Sean's note about this QW to Camden officers. No further meeting has yet been arranged.
- b) *Speakers for upcoming meetings.* Sean will check with Simon Munk about his availability for our 18 September meeting.
- c) *Hampstead Heath.* We await updates from Steven E and John C.
- d) *Taviplace Public Inquiry.* George reported briefly on the actions in hand. CCC expect to be main participants, calling witnesses to support our case. Camden Council will be a leading participant.

Inquiry dates:

31 August: Pre-inquiry Meeting with Inspector

10 October - 9 November: Inquiry, Tue-Fri each week, probably terminating well before the final date given.

3. Reports on meetings attended

- a) Sean reported on the meeting that he and Jim Killock had organised on 14 August to discuss possible campaigning actions to push TfL's work on cycling infrastructure forward more rapidly. He has prepared a set of minutes that he will release for public consumption once the meeting participants have agreed them.

Possible actions were discussed including:

- Action group to push for congestion charging
- Flash rides - likely targets: Nine Elms, Camberwell, Five Ways
- Common actions with London bus drivers
- A probe into the use of traffic modelling by TfL
- An Actions Workshop to get TfL cycling schemes back on track and time
- ... and more, see the minutes when published.

- b) Jean reported on an *HS2 construction site meeting* with Michael Barrett and others. Michael Barrett is TfL's 'Development Impact Assessment Lead' whose responsibilities include ensuring cycling safety for construction projects. They were joined by an HS2 representative and Camden Council officer to cycle around several locations that will be impacted by HS2 and discussed solutions to some safety issues.
- c) Jean reported on our recent infrastructure meeting (2 August 2017, [minutes](#)) with Camden staff to discuss implementation and revisions to current schemes including RCS North, Arlington Road, Holborn junction, Gospel Oak Note that during Google building works, Goodsway will be one-way WB from York Way to Kings Boulevard with 2-way cycling.

Sean suggested that we should be ready to publish some suggestions about positive responses to forthcoming consultations even where there are weaknesses remaining. In particular a consultation on safety improvements at Vernon Place is crucial.

7. Any Other Business

- a) Sean mentioned that Royal Parks have installed anti-cycling measures including loose gravel and barriers that require a dismount on the newly improved track linking Prince Albert Road to the Regent's Canal towpath.
- b) George reported on [our response to the Planning Application for the Chalk Farm Road Morrison's Superstore site](#) (<https://camdencyclists.cyclescape.org/threads/3437>). It was gratifying that quite a few LCC members and supporters had picked up our last-minute plea for people to submit negative responses concerning the motor traffic generating potential of the re-installation of a superstore with 300 car parking spaces. Many of the responses can be viewed [here on the Council's website](#) (scroll to the bottom). George hopes to

organise further action to get the current plans rejected and ensure that any subsequent submissions shall have far fewer parking spaces.

- c) George and Jean mentioned that they had been asked by the Coordinator of [Friends of Regent's Canal](#) whether we could lend support to a proposal to ensure that the planned redevelopment of 54 Pancras Way ('The Ugly Brown Building') should include a freight consolidation and delivery centre serviced by canal boats, and cargo bikes and they had given a generally positive response.

General Meeting

There was no general CCC business.

Next Meeting

18 September 2017, 18.30 - 19.30, Primrose Hill Community Centre.