

Camden Cyclists Meeting

Minutes 16 November 2020



19:30-21:30

On Zoom

Attending - John Chamberlain (Chair), Jean Dollimore, George Coulouris (Minutes), Helen Vecht, Paul Allen, Stefano Bertolotto, Simon Pearson, Steven Edwards, Susan Seymour, Linus Rees, Ema Arvati, Luke Pearson

1. Introductions

2. Minutes of 19th October 2020 meeting

The minutes were read through and approved

3. Matters arising from the minutes.

No matters arising.

4. CCC response to invitation for feedback on pop-up lanes and other schemes –

- How to ensure that the responses on [Camden's CommonPlace consultation map](#) are predominantly supportive of the new pop-up lanes, modal filters and LTNs
 - These consultations will remain open for a long time (12-18 months from the scheme installation)
 - We know that Camden will be analyzing all of the Commonplace comments on each scheme as a part of the final consultations, but we don't know what other forms of input (e.g. individual emails, stakeholder groups) they will be considering.
 - Stefano B suggested that we should delay starting a major campaign until the start of formal consultation.

Action Infrastructure team: to seek clarification of how the consultations will be handled at the next Quarterly Meeting with officers.

Action JC: JC to ask Adam Harrison how Camden are interpreting the call for more consultation in the DfT's latest funding announcement letter.

- Suggestion that we should keep track of the balance of Commonplace comments on each of the schemes and take action to encourage supporters to post additional comments where needed.

Action: GC to look into the feasibility of a simple 'scraping' tool to count positive and negative comments on each scheme.

5. Cycle Buddies programme -

- John C has 40 plastic-laminated A5 posters advertising the Cycle Buddies project.

Action All: ask John for some if you know of good places to post them (e.g. on lamp posts near high-usage sets of bike stands)

6. Update on infrastructure

- JD updated us on the good progress of Camden schemes since last month. [LINK](#)
She covered:

- Prince of Wales Road EB: *complete apart from a proposed bus stop bypass for the EB track near Talacre Gardens.*
 - York Way pop-up lanes phases 1 and 2: *almost complete*
 - Chalk Farm Road: *work in progress*
 - St Pancras Way: SB segregated track complete. CCC have objected to the difficulty this has caused for SB cyclists turning right into Georgiana St
 - Several recent permeability measures/quick wins
 - Current status of Camden's School Streets programm
- JD pointed out that it will be impossible to carry out an audit in the normal way during lockdown (i.e. a group inspection). It was suggested that she should ask people to send in snagging issues and she was advised to check them before compiling the report.
 - Linus R reported on several useful permeability measures recently announced for Fitzrovia/Bloomsbury: Bedford Avenue, College Place, Grafton Way, Tottenham Street, Warren Street and Windmill Street

8. Plans for future monthly meetings

- Suggested external speakers:
 - UCL researcher Kerri McCarton studying '15 minute city' (has requested help with her research project)
 - Alex Santacreu - progress in Paris

9. AOB

Filing the gaps in Camden's plans for pop-up lanes

Regent's Park again

- JC to test Adam H's appetite for a trial closure of Gloucester Gate by Camden
- Transition KT's project for CNJ wrap-around pages on Camden 2030**
- We will liaise with Rachel Wrangham to be sure we get a good component in.
 - Agreed that we would contribute some funding.

Next Meeting

21st December 2020, 19.30 - 21.30; Chair: JC