

# Draft Minutes Quarterly Meeting CCC, LLS and Camden Council

Monday 9th May 2022 11:30 am - 1:00 pm

*Online:* Sam Margolis , Steve Cardno, Anthony Christofi, Cllr Julian Fulbrook (Camden), Peter Mardell (Camden, from 12:15); John Chamberlain, Jean Dollimore (chair), George Coulouris (minutes)(CCC); David Harrison (LLS)

*Apologies:*

[Agenda items in Arial font, minutes text in Times]

## 1. Camden Transport Strategy - adjustment of targets in cycling action plan

Targets for LTNs, concern about areas west of Finchley Road being ignored because of the barrier created by the Swiss Cottage gyratory.

SM: schedule for actions will be updated, not targets. Report to be published during summer on achievements and schedule.

JC: no targets for LTNs in the strategy at present,

SM Changes to CTS would need to be consulted on. Will consider adding LTN targets  
**(ACTION)**

## 2. Cycle network - plans for 2022 for new protected routes and secondary routes

Timescale for the upgrades to York Way, Chalk Farm Road, Prince of Wales Road, St Pancras Way

SM: 2022: mainly completing all the trial schemes - e.g. stepped tracks in place of bollards and improvements to Junctions.

Good relations already in place with Westminster officers.

AF: This summer York Way (July), Chalk Farm Road, PoW (Sept) and St Pancras Way,

JF: Consider the electoral cycle: 4 years ahead, concentrate on infrastructure, solid vote of confidence on LTNs in Camden; applies also to Westminster officers

Proposal: Seminar for officers and representatives of groups to celebrate successes and target future up to 2026 for the Cycling Action Plan and the Walking Action Plan.

SM: Program of works includes junctions

AC: Have been working with Westminster officers on Cleveland Street - C40.

Some new schemes to be announced.

2023-2026: AC (?) is keen to bring forward as many Action Plan goals as possible to 2026, emphasising those that may cross the border with Westminster.

SM : West of Finchley Road: will revisit Swiss Cottage and there is a study in progress on Gardens Area.

JF: Pledge to do 3 LTNs per year (and should include Regent's Park)

SM: the pledge relates to the area covered; Fitzrovia has resurfaced.

## 3. Camden Town gyratory. Creating east/west cycling and walking links

Camden High Street North up to Hawley Street or Road - trial days planned

Camden Street/Bonny Street crossing

DH: interest in east-west links such as Plender-Miller and Delancey-Pratt

AC: Pratt-Delancey core corridor, red line: must provide safe cycle crossing of CHS

DH: Plender-Miller better for walking (the latter not good for cycling)

#### 4. LTNs - plans for 2022

See above minutes. Make Camden Square and Queen's Crescent permanent

'Gardens' and Dartmouth Park are on list

DH: is Great Ormond Street on hold?

#### 5. Holborn area short and long term plans and consultation on Bloomsbury Square

SM + Kevin meeting TfL to discuss next stage later today.

AC: SRow-Theobalds junction commissioned with gate and early release ?????. Now looking at High Holborn junctions with Proctor Street and Kingsway and lanes between them.

Separate cycle lane on Proctor St

New tube station not going forward

JC: timescale important. Would like to see Proctor Street pedestrianised.

AC: Working on design for GIR/Theobalds /Rosebery

Bury Place to be closed at Bloomsbury Way

SM: plans for bus gate in Great Russell Street are still live.

#### 6. Monitoring of Covent Garden traffic, especially on the Gt Qn St/Shelton St rat-run

SM: monitoring Shelton Street, discussing further measures with Shaftesbury

#### 7. The outcome of the Kings Cross walkabout

SM: writing to TfL expressing concern about slow progress. They are citing lack of finance.

DH: a pedestrian crossing of Euston Road east of Pancras Road is a priority.

#### 8. Illegal parking and loading, especially on cycle lanes (Peter Mardell)

JC: enforcement of cycle lanes. It is often a safety issue, e.g. especially with contraflow cycle lanes.

PM: Difficulty with legal powers. Limit the use of cameras. There is an online reporting tool.

Can only issue 1 penalty notice per 24-hour period.

School pick-up waiting more than 2 minutes isn't permitted.

Zero tolerance for footway parking. But enforcement can only be done by officers at the time (not in retrospect).

JF suggested that reporting should be via the Love Clean Streets App using a new category 'obstruction by motor vehicle' JC: we will publicise the illegal parking reporting tool - we need a link.

PM: would welcome personal emails from anyone.

#### 9. Cargo Bike parking – follow up from officers

JF: Discuss wider issue. Need more carrots and sticks to increase incentives for companies such as *Amazon* to think seriously about cycle freight. *Absolutely* are shifting to cargo bikes, *Royal Mail* and other delivery firms.

SM: will ask one of his team to produce a new plan on how they should use their existing budget on Cargo bikes. ACTION

10. Cycle counters – coverage of all protected routes including Tavistock Place and Midland Road and some secondary routes such as Judd Street, Grafton Road & Red Lion Street.

SM agreed to look into the provision of counters on Tavistock Place and Midland Road. ACTION.

11. Closer working with the Planning department

- Impact and opportunities of new developments for the cycling network
- CMPs and access to cycle storage

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JC: a meeting should be organised with planning officers.

SC: agreed to organise a meeting involving planning and JC and DH. ACTION

GC: although we get involved early, the process is very long and things get changed after consultation.

12. Better control of temporary street works

Not covered in the meeting.

13. Secure cycle storage near people's homes.

SC: recognised that the Cyclehangar waiting list is too long. Aim to fulfil CAP commitment. CIL being used. Labour has manifesto promise of 400 in 4 years. Need to speed up delivery and will include estates.

14. Car Free Day on 22nd September.

SM: spoke about the plans for this year. Run play streets on the day or at weekend HSS all day. Discussing some ideas with a group in Hampstead

15. Update on WEP progress to include timescale for Princes Circus and signage of cycle routes

Princes Circus will be on site at end of month

16. AOB

JC: announced his change of role.

17. Date of next meeting

10 am 12 September.

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