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Camden Cyclists News: May 2022

Dear John,

In this month's news we have:

- We have elected Steve Prowse as our new coordinator
- Our newsletter editor, Helen Vecht has retired
- Outcome of the Climate Safe Streets campaign
- Ride London feeder – 29th May
- Camden Clean Air Ride - 12th June
- Report on talk by Sam Margolis at our AGM on 16th May

Steve Prowse is our new Coordinator



Welcome Steve and 'Thank you' John

After being our coordinator since September, 2016, John Chamberlain said he would like to step down. Steve Prowse was elected at our AGM on 16th May. Steve had joined our committee a year ago and became Camden's Climate Safe Streets Champion during the lead up to the May elections.

Steve led us in formulating our four 'Asks' and then in having discussions with the leaders of Labour, Lib Dems and Greens all pledging to support our 'Asks'.

We look forward to being led by Steve as we continue our campaign for better conditions for cycling in Camden.

On Saturday 21st May we gathered at Camley Street Natural Park to welcome Steve and to thank John for leading us through six years of campaigning.

Photos of the presentation to John

Our newsletter editor, Helen Vecht has retired



Many thanks to Helen for so many years service

Helen joined our committee in 2005 and soon after took over the task of 'Newsletter Editor'. At that time the newsletters were printed on both sides of an A4 sheet and inserted in London Cyclist 4 - 6 times a year.

Some time in 2016, we felt that we should have monthly e-news shots and Helen volunteered to learn MailChimp and to do those as well. We believe that Helen found the change to Civi somewhat traumatic but she battled on well into 2021. A truly valuable service. Thank you, very much, Helen.

We need a volunteer to take over this task.

Contact Steve Prowse if you'd like to volunteer

Outcome of the Climate Safe Streets campaign



The good work should continue in Camden

In Camden, the leaders of Labour, Lib Dems and Greens pledged to support our asks. At the election, Labour won 47 out of 55 seats including one of the two in Hampstead, while Lib Dems won 4, Conservatives 3 and Sian Berry (Green) kept her seat in Highgate. In the new Camden Square ward, the two Labour candidates took 76% of the votes - a strong endorsement of the new LTN; and in the wards affected by the contentious Queen's Crescent LTN, Labour took 43% in Haverstock and 68% in Gospel Oak.

With Labour winning in Westminster, whose leader has pledged to support CSS, there should be plenty of opportunities to advance schemes on the boundary including CS11 through Swiss Cottage and Regents Park.

LCC's Climate Safe Streets Campaign has been a big success with Leaders of the party that won the election and elected Mayors in 14 boroughs committed to achieving the "Asks" of them by their local LCC group. See the [report on the LCC website](#)

See report on leaders' pledges on our website

Volunteer for Marshalling the Ride London Feeder



Ride London Freecycle feeder

Date: Sunday 29th May 2022

Time: Swiss Cottage: briefings 10:15, depart 10:30 am

Meet: Swiss Cottage (near the library/leisure centre).

As the Ride London Freecycle and the professional Ride London events are both on the same day, this has led to a dearth of marshals.

If you are available on Sunday 29th May and are an experienced cyclist and would like to offer your services to help us guide less experienced riders to our rendezvous point in Lower Regent Street, please get in touch with Geoff Stilwell.

Send email to Geoff if you can help

Camden Clean Air Ride - 12th June



Camden Clean Air Ride

Date: Sunday 12th June 2022

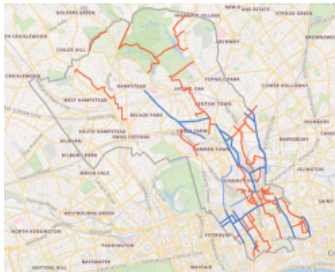
Meet: Granary Square

Staggered departure times between 10:00 and 12:00.

A 28km route around the Borough of Camden that will take riders past Hampstead Heath, Primrose Hill, Regent's Park, Fitzrovia, Tottenham Court Road, Lincoln's Inn Fields, and many other iconic parts of Camden. Booking essential.

[Click here to book tickets and for more details](#)

Report on talk by Sam Margolis at our AGM on 16th May



Camden's Cycling Action Plan

Sam Margolis is Strategic Lead of Transport Planning at Camden Council. He introduced the Camden Cycling Action Plan and reported on progress so far with building the cycle network and plans for the next three years.

[Click here to read more about this talk](#)

Kind regards,

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