

# Camden Cyclists Meeting

## Minutes 20 March 2023

19:30-21:00 On Zoom



### Attending

John Chamberlain, Steve Prowse (chair and minutes), Steven Edwards, Elena Moynihan, Susan Seymour, Ema Arvati, Rachel Wrangham, George Coulouris & Jean Dollimore

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**Agenda:** <https://camdencyclists.org.uk/events/members-meeting-2023-03-20/>

#### 1. Matters arising from the February meeting

<https://camdencyclists.org.uk/2023/03/ccc-meeting-minutes-20-february-2023/>

Approval of Feb meeting minutes & matters arising.

#### 2. Feedback from Quarterly meeting with Camden officers

Minutes to the Quarterly Meeting here:

<https://camdencyclists.org.uk/2023/03/minutes-of-quarterly-meeting-6th-march-2023-between-ccc-lls-and-camden-officers/>

George ran through the minutes. There was a discussion about Dartmouth Park LTN with some frustration that the details of the plan have not yet been published and implementation timescales are vague. The Joint Camden/Islington engagement should start at the end of April.

Disappointment was expressed that Gordon House / Mansfield cycle tract is not included in the 3 year plan. It should be a priority for the subsequent 3 year plan.

The Lambeth Kerbside strategy was discussed, Camden Officers have read it. They will not produce a Camden Kerbside strategy as Camden's Strategy is already in the Transport Action Plan. And officers have been instructed to produce similar statistics

There was a discussion on the rate of implementation of Healthy School Streets. **Action:** Steve to distribute the HSS 3 year plan targets to Committee (Done).

It was good to hear Officers talk of their commitment to the [Three Year Plan](#). There was a discussion on the format of the minutes, which are good for those attending but difficult to read for those not present. **Action:** John to create a summary/overview section for the next set of Quarterly minutes.

### 3. 15-minute neighbourhoods/cities

There was a discussion about this concept / term & the article that was in the last newsletter;

<https://yougov.co.uk/topics/society/articles-reports/2023/03/06/most-britons-would-their-are-a-become-15-minute-nei>

To many the term has very positive connotations (more +ve than 'LTNs) unfortunately the Conspiracy Theorists have taken against it in Oxford and many 'drivists' see it as a potential attack on their freedom to drive wherever & whenever they like.

### 4. Euston Road

Euston Road is dangerous. Recent TfL/HS2 changes have made it more dangerous. CCC urges cyclists not to use the Euston Road. The alternatives are poor but safer. The impact of the HS2 funding deferral is not yet known. But John is attempting to discover more about how it will affect Camden,

CCC have made their position clear to TfL & HS2. A decision was taken not to protest / leaflet.

### 5. Levelling up suggestions

CCC recommendations have been put to the Officers. Community consultation will determine what improvements to active travel become reality and what form the Mobility Hubs will take. **Action:** John to publish the suggestions to the CCC website.

### 6. Climate Safe Streets Report Card

<https://docs.google.com/document/d/1dFVYoyISZPkhAVNOM1O6qyyhwKUkFDpiFJLc ffYqAag/edit?usp=sharing>

“Our view is that Camden’s Proposed Three Year Programme should deliver on the Labour pledge to support the CCC CSS Asks. However, we note that it is not fully funded and LTN consultations will take some time, so the risk of slippage on the targets is high.”.

### 7. Camden Consultations:

**Camden Sq/ C50** - Suggestions for improving the scheme were made. In particular, the diagonal vehicle restriction was thought to be working well and the more elaborate/expensive perm scheme design perhaps not needed (though some residents are known to ignore the restriction as it is not enforced). CCC decided to Leaflet as advocates of the C50.

#### **Actions;**

- John to create leaflet (Done).
- Jean to document CCC response. Thanks to Rachel for the inputs.
- All, to respond to the consultation positively by 2/4.

<https://consultations.wearecamden.org/supporting-communities/camden-square-area-safe-and-healthy-streets-consul/>

## Greening of Phoenix Road

<https://consultations.wearecamden.org/supporting-communities/phoenix/>

### Actions;

- Jean to write CCC response. Now done [here](#)
- All, to respond to the consultation positively by 30/3.

## Camden Street & Bonny Street

<https://consultations.wearecamden.org/supporting-communities/camden-street/>

### Actions;

John has written CCC response. [Here](#).

- All, to respond to the consultation positively by 24/3.

## 8. TfL Consultations:

**Kings Cross / Pentonville Phase 1** - John explained the lack of ambition of this scheme (no E/W / NS continuous routes), the overuse of Shared space (leading to pedestrian cycle conflict) and lack of adherence to LTN-1-20 guidelines. The consensus reached was that CCC should not support this scheme as it stands. A joint response on behalf of LCC, CCC, C, Sustrans, London Living Street and Action Vision zero is being drafted.

**Hampstead Road** - The extension of cycle provision down Oakley Square was welcomed but there is disappointment that no significant improvements to the safety of cyclists at Euston Circus have been included. With the recent deferral of Govt HS2 funding, CCC would like to see this scheme implemented ASAP despite it's failings.

### Actions:

- John to write CCC response.
- Steve to invite Adam Harrison & Sian Berry to discuss Dangerous Junctions.

## 9. 22 April Feeder ride

Camden & Westminster are organising an Earth Day ride on Sat 22nd April. It will also function as a feeder ride to "[The Big One](#)" uniting for nature, biodiversity and the planet in a Peaceful, direct action in Parliament Square. Greenpeace & Friends of the Earth are among over 30 organisations that have announced they will be attending The Big One.

**Action:** Steve to create an Event Bright & invite Alison from XR Camden to attend the 17/4 CCC mtg to describe The Big One (Done).

## 10. AOB

Izzy Romilly (LCC Trustee) has been invited to the April CCC Mtg.

**Action:** Julian Fulbrook to be invited to May CCC Mtg (Done).

**Future Minute takers:** April - Ema, May - Elena, June - Jean, July - John.

**Next Meeting** 17 April at 7:30 pm. ID 966-2634-1261, password 656179, link:  
<https://zoom.us/j/96626341261?pwd=MkpKb1gvLzdlcFpNbndGd05zeU1XZz09>