

Camden Cyclists Meeting

Minutes 17 April 2023



19:30 - 21:00 On Zoom

Attending

John Chamberlain (JC), Steve Prowse (SP chair), Steven Edwards, Elena Moynihan, Paul Allen (PA), Ema Arvati (minutes), Simon Pearson, Luke Pearson (LP), George Coulouris, Jean Dollimore (JD), Alison Backhouse (AB).

1. Introductions

The group introduced themselves to Alison from XR Camden who joined the meeting for the first time. AB went through the various events for the coming weekend.

On Friday the 21st April there is a walk from Parliament Hill to the Houses of Parliament that concludes at various government's buildings including DEFRA. **Action:** AB to send the QR code.

The second event is on Saturday. CCC and Westminster Cyclists will lead a feeder ride from Swiss Cottage library at 10.00 for Earth day on the 22nd April. So far 14 people had signed up on Monday evening. 4 other councils are joining and meeting in Hyde Park.

<https://camdencyclists.org.uk/events/feeder-ride-from-swiss-cottage-to-join-the-big-one/>

Izzy Romilly (LCC Trustee) was expected but as she did not attend the meeting we hope she will be able to come to a future meeting.

2. Minutes from the March meeting

<https://camdencyclists.org.uk/2023/04/ccc-meeting-minutes-20-march-2023-2/>

The minutes were approved but there were two actions from last month for John:

- to publish the **CCC Ideas for Use of Levelling-Up Funds in Gospel Oak-Haverstock-KT South Area** to the CCC website
- and update the group on CCC's response to TfL's latest proposals for Hampstead Road and send the response to TfL.

HS2 deferral: JC will have a meeting with Camden officers to discuss the impact of the HS2 deferral. He understands that the central reservation on Euston Road which was removed will be put back; This has Impact in the area for cyclists.

Steve has written to Julian Fulbrook to ask if he can attend the AGM meeting in May but he has not yet replied.

3. Update on C50 and Consultation responses

JD said that Rachel Wrangham had provided a lot of input to our response and that although we strongly support making the scheme permanent, we have some reservations e.g. about the crossing points on Camden Square which we discussed with David Harrison of London Living Streets. The response is [here](#).

4. CCC Finances and LCC grant funding

Meade had sent an email to the whole group with all the figures in advance to the meeting. The CCC Committee agreed to claim our "local group grant" from LCC. Most expenses are on the website hosting, zoom, MapHub, flickr and the bike workshop funds and expenses are kept separately.

The CCC accounts were also approved to be sent to LCC.

5. Preparing for the May CCC AGM meeting

The group discussed meeting in person for the meeting in May. **Action:** EA to check if the Primrose Hill centre is available. Since the meeting, EA has found out that the meeting room is booked for future months so the group needs to discuss other venues to have face to face meetings. **Action:** JC to share the last AGM agenda with the group. At the meeting members of the current committee will be asked whether they are willing to carry on with their roles.

6. Planning our next CCC social event

The group decided to meet face to face at the AGM meeting in May and have regular social events over the year.

7. AOB

SP mentioned the bike bus to take children to school. If Stefano is able to attend other meetings, he can give an update on his discussions with Green School Runs. We have reserved funds which could be used e.g. to train parents to lead a bike bus.

PA gave an update on LCC's new Bike buddy website that has not gone live yet. Current buddies might need to join the new website before they can be paired up.

We discussed the fact that some people are in the group.io. And some have signed up for the newsletter so not all are in both. Some people who come to CCC meetings are not LCC members. The *group.io* is mainly used for discussions or sharing consultations. Many of the people on both lists are not LCC members.

Action: Audit on Haverstock Hill. Road works have finished. JC is back the first week in May to join. A few people are meeting on the 11th May to carry this out. **Action:** JD to share some good examples with the group, noting that the reports are on the website as 'CC author' under the 'Reports' tab.

Cargo bikes: TfL has published their cargo bike strategy, they recommended every school street to have a cargo bike parking and all new cycling infrastructure needs to consider cargo bikes.

Future Minute takers: May - Elena, June - Jean, July - John, Aug - Steve

Next Meeting Our AGM 15 May at 7:30 pm. At Calthorpe Community Garden, Gray's Inn Road.
No Zoom.