

**ICAG meeting Wednesday 9th September 2015 at 7.30-9.30pm
at the Town Hall, Upper Street N1**

Present: Alison Dines, David Lincoln, John Ackers, Keith Macfarlane, Nick Kocharhook, Simon Izod, Anita Frizzarin, Adrian Williams, Paul Standeven

Apologies:

Eilidh Murray, Michelle Shipworth, Tom Harrison

Matters arising

Council Liaison Meeting- terms of reference

The next council liaison meeting would take place soon and it was likely there would be feedback on our revisions to the terms of reference.

Highbury Corner bridge replacement

Nick was still trying to arrange to see TfL about the current layout at Highbury Corner.

Ward Partnership Meetings

Alison had put the dates of the September ward partnership meetings on the ICAG calendar. She and Eilidh thought it might be useful to have some pointers about what to mention when attending these meetings but John and Nick thought that wasn't necessary. Alison suggested secure on-street cycle parking could always be brought up as well as the ward asks.

Space for Cycling petition

Plans for presenting the petition were discussed and Tabitha agreed to follow up the suggestions.

Secure on-street cycle parking

Anita had spoken to someone who had offered to cover the cost of this in their street but the council would not grant them the space. John felt that if lots of groups of residents agreed to pay this might influence the council's decision. Alison had put a piece in the ICAG newsletter asking residents to contact their councillors about obtaining this type of cycle parking.

Agenda

Quietway campaign update

Nick reported that there were now over 1500 signatures and once there were 2000 it would be presented to the council for debate. It was agreed that it would not be presented at the next council meeting as the petition against the CPZ was being presented then.

Liveable Islington Network

Kate Calvert and Caroline Russell had drafted some terms of reference for the group. The meeting agreed them with a slight amendment and Nick would put them on the Liveable Islington website.

Consultation on changes to Controlled Parking Zones (CPZ)

ICAG had not responded to this as it was not possible to reflect the views of its members, although a number of members had responded as individuals. Given the format of the questionnaire issues important to cyclists such as provision of secure on-street cycle parking, air pollution and traffic volume could not be commented on. Adrian pointed out that there was likely to be more vehicles driving around trying to find somewhere to park on the boundaries of the zones.

Feedback from Archway meeting

Liz was not able to be at the meeting but had sent some feedback on the meeting on 4th September at the GLA between TfL and various local community groups that had been arranged by Green Party

Assembly Member Darren Johnson. The main cycling issue TfL agreed to look at was the left turn from St John's Way into Holloway Road and the potential conflict between people on bikes and users of the bus stop there. A follow-up meeting was arranged for the first week of October.

Caledonian Road campaign (www.callysouth.org.uk)

Simon had seen this campaign to revert some streets near Kings' Cross to one-way working because of increases in congestion and air pollution. John pointed out that air pollution had always been bad in that area and two-way working had been introduced to improve the area for cyclists. Although those present were not aware of the campaign Tom was and had started a discussion on CycleScape that he'd like people to contribute to (see <http://www.cyclescape.org/threads/2040>). He felt ICAG needed someone to take a lead in Kings Cross and coordinate with different local groups and channel ideas for improvements but no one at the meeting volunteered.

Feedback from the Canal Festival

The position of the stall had been spoilt by the nearby ice cream van having its engine running all day and Alison said she would write to the organisers about it. A number of people stopping at the stall complained about the poor behaviour of cyclists such as riding on pavements and jumping red lights. Alison suggested asking the police Borough Commander to attend an ICAG meeting to talk about cycle theft, enforcing traffic rules and 20mph and it was agreed she should contact her.

Model constitution for LCC local groups

This had been approved by the LCC Board in July and had been circulated to the local groups. John and Alison agreed to go through it and see how it compared to ICAG's current constitution.

Any other business

Anita suggested that ICAG members accompanied Jeremy Corbyn when he cycled down to the Houses of Parliament to start his new job and said she would contact him.

Nick suggested that ICAG changed its name as it sounded dated and hostile. This was generally welcomed and possible alternatives were mooted. It was agreed that ideas for a new name would be circulated amongst ICAG members.

Date of next meeting: Wednesday 14th October 2015