

What's been happening recently ?

We held our AGM on 14 June when the following were elected to the CI committee – all contact through alison.dines@cycleislington.uk

- Alison (Coordinator and secretary)
- Keith (Treasurer)
- Nick and Talia (council liaison, infrastructure)
- Simon (Canonbury liaison & infrastructure)
- Liz (Archway liaison)
- Tab (public health liaison)
- Eilidh (newsletter)

We were delighted to welcome **Laura** from the Zero Emissions network, a joint initiative with the boroughs of Islington, Hackney and Tower Hamlets, who told us about the ZEN and its objectives – including their encouragement of using cargo bikes. Did you know that one cargo bike can carry 100 bottles of champagne?! **Alix** of Carryme Bikes presented how they lent cargo bikes, seats and trailers to park rangers, market traders, meals on wheels teams and anyone who wanted to try out some new kit. Many thanks to them both for coming along.



Laura, Alison and Alix

More info: <http://bit.ly/2uCLYN7> & <http://bit.ly/2wX5UqG>

Our speaker at our July meeting was **Will McMahon** from the Centre for Crime and Justice Studies (CCJS). Will talked about the Holloway Prison redevelopment project – see article below. Speakers lined up for the rest of the year include **Fran Graham** from the LCC and **Eric Manners** from LBI so do come along to the Town Hall on the second Wednesday of the month at 7.30pm.

We continue our regular meetings with council officials and the Executive Member for Environment & Transport Claudia Webb to discuss cycling provision in the borough. If you have anything you would like us to bring up, please contact Alison.



Do you know who your local councillors are? We are planning, with your help, to step up our dealings with them on local cycling issues during the lead-up to the London elections next May – it's important to get to know them. Attend their ward meetings, talk to them and ask for their support on local cycling infrastructure. Our main talking points which we need to keep promoting are: 1. London's growing and cycling and walking will help keep it moving 2. Cycling is increasing 3. We need safer space for cyclists.

The Mayor's Transport Strategy has been launched – here's the LCC's take on it <http://bit.ly/2hXSjMY> and you can follow discussions here <http://bit.ly/2wWYrrF>. The consultation closes on 2 October and LCC will respond taking all feedback into account so have your say now.

Thanks to energetic campaigning by many people, especially Cllr Caroline Russell, there will soon be 18 secure bike hangars in the borough, each taking 6 bikes. There is already a huge demand for secure bike parking on Islington's streets so see the locations of each hanger here <http://bit.ly/2vBRD3b> and reserve your space now! None scheduled near you? Email publicrealm@islington.gov.uk.

Proposed redevelopment of the Holloway Prison site

The CCJS is seeking the views of local residents and anyone who cycles, works, studies, shops in the area. Camden Road/Parkhurst Road junction sits right by the prison site and any redevelopment might be an opportunity to re-engineer that space so it's less of a motorway and more of an inviting space for everyone. Survey now open on

potential developments here: <http://bit.ly/2hZ6bH5>. On Saturday, 30 September from 1pm-4pm at St George's Church on Crayford Road, N7, the findings from the survey will be discussed for the first time. Cycle Islington, along with other community groups, will be there so come along, find out more about the plans, and say hello.

Out and about with CI – July's ride to London Freecycle & events to come

35 cyclists had registered for our ride but over 60 came, including 2 newbie Santander cyclists, Claudia Blanco and Shazia Shafiq (right) who pushed their bikes the length of Upper Street to join us for our led ride from Highbury Fields. Many thanks to everyone who participated including our marshals and our leader, Steve, who was up at 4 am the next day to take part in the 100-miler. What dedication! A short video of the ride is here: <http://bit.ly/2wX2B2x> and YouTube has many more videos to inspire you to sign up for next year when thousands of cyclists will again take to car free streets in central London – sign up here: <http://bit.ly/1XAuaa2>.

Forthcoming events:

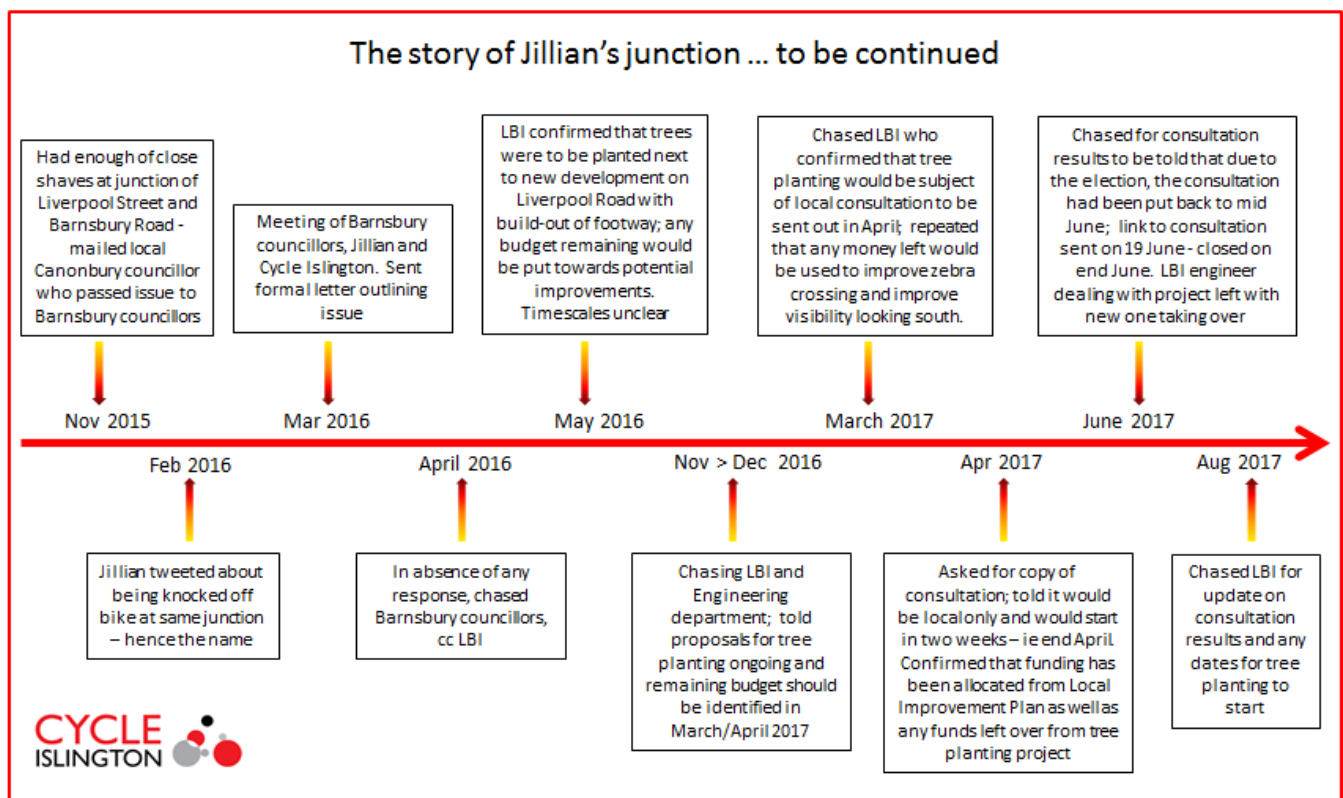
* Archway Car Free Day on 22 September: part of the Archway ZEN project (<http://tinyurl.com/yafnm97p>)

including cyclists' breakfast, a led local ride and Dr Bike.
* The CI autumn family ride in early October (more news on our website soon).



Photos thanks to J Ackers

The time things take



IC monthly meeting

Come along to the CI monthly meeting. Agenda items for meetings should reach alison.dines@cycleislington.uk by the Saturday before the meeting.

- * 2nd Wednesday of every month
- * 7.30-9.30 pm followed by visit to local pub
- * Islington Town Hall, Upper Street, N1 2UD

Forthcoming events

- * <https://www.lovetoride.net/London> – get a team together and join in Cycle September
- * Critical mass – last Friday of each month <http://www.urban75.org/photos/critical>
- * Check out Skyrides - <http://www.goskyride.com>
- * Islington cycle club – lots of weekly rides to suit all levels of fitness - <http://islington.cc> and Dr Bike sessions here <http://tinyurl.com/lj5ml75k>

Cycle Islington Dr Bike

*First Sunday of the month, 1100 > 1300 at Sunnyside Community Centre, Sunnyside Road, N19 3LX - contact Adrian Williams 07810 211902

Reporting potholes

- ***Local:** T 020 7527 2000 or islington.gov.uk and click on report a street problem. Or try fixmystreet.com
- ***London:** T 0845 305 1234 or <https://tfl.gov.uk/modes/cycling/>, then click report a street fault

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- *If you wish to discuss any of the topics covered in this newsletter in more detail then why not subscribe to the CI email list? Just send an email to cycleislington-subscribe@yahoo.com
- *We have another yahoo group concerned mainly with the engineering projects which we are being consulted about. If you want to join, send an email to: cycleislington-eng-subscribe@yahoo.com

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