

**Minutes of Cycle Islington meeting Wednesday 11th January 2017 at 7.30-9.30pm  
at the Town Hall, Upper Street N1**

**Present:** Alison Dines, Liz Reiner, Mary Stevens, Rosalind Readhead, John Ackers, Adrian Williams,

**Apologies:** Keith Macfarlane, Nick Kocharhook, Sean Howes, Sue Marris, Tabitha Tanqueray, Eilidh Murray, Talia Hussain.

**Matters arising**

*Meeting with Cllr Webbe:* Rosalind added that when discussing the clean air consultation with Cllr Webbe she had said that the congestion on local buses and at stations like Highbury Corner and Finsbury Park was a good reason to prioritise cycle lanes. Also options such as 'last mile' delivery by cargo bikes had been discussed.

*Bikehangars and cycle parking:* Rosalind and John had met a nurse working in Islington who was compiling a list of locations for Sheffield stands and Rosalind said she would be happy to forward any suggestions to her. Alison said anyone interested in being put on the waiting list for a Bikehangar should contact Min Yee Cheung at the council [MinYee.Cheung@islington.gov.uk](mailto:MinYee.Cheung@islington.gov.uk)

*Gillespie Road parking changes consultation:* The problem with this scheme was that it was designed to smooth out traffic flow rather than reduce the number of vehicles in the area and Tabitha had already responded as an individual. John agreed to respond of behalf of CI.

**Agenda**

**Developing CI's strategy**

In Simon's absence, Rosalind spoke more about what had been discussed at the CI strategy meetings and about Seven Sisters Road being an alternative venue for a car free day event. John asked if road closures and segregated cycle lanes had been discussed and Rosalind said they had not gone into detailed schemes but she felt it was always best to be ambitious. Areas, other than Angel and Nag's Head, that should be considered as liveable neighbourhoods were Clerkenwell Green, King Henry's Walk, Canonbury and Highbury.

**Speakers/themes for 2017 CI meetings**

Potential speakers for CI meetings were discussed and Alison would contact them.

Mary had raised concerns about traffic at the recent Highbury West ward partnership meeting and as a result she was going to see the successful mini-Holland scheme in Waltham Forest with one of her councillors Andy Hull. John suggested Mary should contact Paul Gasson who had been instrumental in getting the scheme through and would be happy to show them round. Mary offered to do a presentation on their findings at a future CI meeting, possibly in April.

**CI newsletter**

Eilidh had now been editing the CI newsletter for a year and asked for feedback on the content and format. Everyone present thought Eilidh was doing a great job and had no suggestions for any changes.

**CI social bike ride in the spring**

Eilidh suggested a CI social bike ride down to the cycle superhighway along the Embankment. John said it could also link up with the routes down to Elephant and Castle and although it might be a long ride for young children there were plenty of places to stop for breaks. Alison would discuss with Eilidh organising the ride and getting volunteers to lead and marshal the ride.

**Consultation on width restrictions on Drayton Park and Martineau Road**

John had put this on Cyclescape and offered to draft the CI response including comments Graham had made in December.

**Hackney Burns Night on 28<sup>th</sup> January**

John said volunteers were needed to help with this annual event and that tickets were now on sale.

**Any other business**

None

**Date of next meeting:** Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> February 2017