

Minutes of Cycle Islington 2017 AGM

14th June 2017, Islington Town Hall

Apologies from Liz Reiner, Nick Kocharhook, Tom Harrison, David Harrison, Sue Marris, Adrian Williams, Robert Harston

Matters Arising

None.

Coordinator report

from Alison Dines.

Thanks to Simon and James for working on our strategy. We decided we wanted to align more with TfL objectives like Healthy Streets. Over the year, we had LCC's Simon Munk, Cllr Nick Wayne and Mary Stevens speak to us. Thanks to Talia and Nick for council liaison. Thanks to Cllr Caroline Russell for constantly mentioning bikehangars and Anita Frizzarin for going to numerous council meetings. We fed into the Archway consultation but we recognise the problems with pedestrian cycle conflict highlighted by Graham. We've linked up with Islington Healthy Streets and thanks to David Harrison for coordinating this effort. Thanks to Eilidh for regularly reminding us about how nice it is go on rides and and Savvas for producing some great artwork. Thanks to Simon for leading the joint ride with Camden. Thank you committee members.

Treasurer's report

from Keith Macfarlane

In summary, more money is coming in (LCC grant, fee for leading Ride London donated by Steve K) than going out. No grant requested from LCC in the last financial year. The accounts are on CI website.

Election of officers

John Ackers stepped down.

The following officers were elected by a show of hands:

Coordinator/secretary: Alison Dines

Treasurer: Keith Macfarlane

Committee: Tabitha, Talia, Simon, Nick K, Liz Reiner, Eilidh.

Eilidh asked if committee members had specific portfolios. Alison said that members did not have formal roles but committee members did have areas of interest and focus.

Any other business

John suggested that Islington wasn't making the same progress in terms of infrastructure improvement as Camden and Hackney and that might explain low attendance at AGM. Cycle Islington/ICAG might be partially to blame for not providing the same level of consistent input to the council that other groups achieved. However, Cycle Islington needed to have some success with the council so as to gain some credibility with the wider cycling community.

Simon suggested that there had been a dramatic reduction in council/TfL activity compared to the previous year and wondered if the council had access to less money.

Talia said there had been a lot of anger in the group about what the council hadn't done. And we'd spent a lot of time organising ourselves and rather than progressing projects like Healthy Streets initiatives. But that should change in the next year.

Tab said that the council had been sitting on Clerkenwell Boulevard and Quietway 10, there haven't been any new schemes to get people excited about. But we'd got our (initial 20) bike hangars which is an achievement! And we had supported campaigns in other boroughs like Tavistock Place, Middleton Road and Shepperton Walk.

Simon said Highbury Corner was coming up in 2018, we're going to be busy.

Keith pointed out that local elections were coming up.

The group discussed the opening of Quietway 2.

Alison was presented with a decent bottle of wine in thanks for her diligent work as coordinator over the last 12 months.

Guest speakers Laura Parry from the City Fringe Zero Emissions Network and Alix Stredwick from Carryme Bikes C.I.C. talked about their separate initiatives and the use of cargo bikes.

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