

**Minutes of Cycle Islington meeting Wednesday 14th February 2018 at 7.30-9.30pm  
at the Town Hall, Upper Street N1**

**Present:** Alison Dines, Eilidh Murray, Saskia Huizinga, Nick Kocharhook, Graham Parks, Adrian Williams, Keith Macfarlane, Jenny Morgan, Guilio Ferrini, John Ackers, Sue Marris, Ernestas Jegorovas, Simon Izod, Chris Kenyon.

**Apologies:** David Harrison, Tabitha Tanqueray, Liz Reiner, David Braine

**Matters arising**

*Cycling Summit:* Nick had been told that there would be no minutes available from this meeting with Cllrs Watts, Webbe and others on 10<sup>th</sup> January.

*Recent consultations:* Alison had spoken to a retired transport planner who might be able to help with responses to consultations. She had wanted to show him some examples of recent ones but couldn't find them on Cyclescape so would put him in touch with Nick. Keith had found that some old consultations were still available on the council website.

**Agenda**

**Local election campaign**

- *Finalising Asks:* Nick had been working on finalising the Asks and would do so in the next couple of days. He and everyone who had written the Asks were thanked. Presenting the Quietway 10 petition was discussed and Ernie suggested it could be done at the next full council meeting on 22<sup>nd</sup> February. John agreed to do this and asked for other CI members to also attend.
- *Communications:* It was agreed to use one #tag for all 5 Asks. Eilidh was finalising a leaflet and David H was to write a piece for the Islington Gazette on Liveable Neighbourhoods. Keith pointed out that we were not going to recommend who people should vote for but it was agreed that any statements or comments received from candidates would be put on the website. Ernie said both individual candidates and the parties should be targeted. John was sorry there was no vision statement on the CI website and when Chris Kenyon joined the meeting later he said he was working on something that could be used.
- *Bike ride:* the date of this was discussed and after the meeting it was agreed to hold it on Sunday 8<sup>th</sup> April at 2pm from Freightliner's Farm and Steve Knattress kindly agreed to lead it. Eilidh was working on designing flyers/posters. John said having another MaketheLane event would be good publicity and that he would get in touch with the organisers as about eight people present said they would be willing to help.
- *Hustings:* David H was inviting the local party leaders and Alison said that Christ Church Highbury could be used as the venue, depending on the date. Nick suggested the Arsenal Hub and Simon that there were community centres listed on the LBI website that could be hired.
- *Speakers at CI meetings:* Alison wondered if having invited speakers at the next CI meetings would be useful in raising the profile of the campaign but it was generally felt that there was enough to work on.

**Feedback from meeting with council officers**

Nick and Graham had met with council officers on 1<sup>st</sup> February and Nick summarised some of what was discussed. The officers had said they would be doing a borough-wide audit to see how the Cycling Level of Service (CLOS) applied to the borough roads. There was concern that this would be a large and expensive undertaking and instead it would be more useful to concentrate on the principle borough roads or those which were desire lines for cyclists.

The council would be installing 100 more bikehangars (600 spaces) at a cost of £200,000. Sue said she had been advised to e-mail [road.safety@islington.gov.uk](mailto:road.safety@islington.gov.uk) to register interest.

Mobile enforcement cameras were currently not used to monitor aspects of cycling but the council had agreed they might be.

Work at Finsbury Square and Featherstone Street was starting soon and Wharfedale Road had been improved by simple repainting. Preventing the closure of the cycle lane on Stroud Green Road had also been discussed.

### **CI AGM on 13<sup>th</sup> June**

Alison said that Isabelle Clements, the director of the charity [Wheels for Wellbeing](#) had accepted our invitation to speak and had indicated that she would welcome a donation to the charity. It was agreed that CI would give £50.

### **CI newsletter**

Eilidh was working on this (deadline 19<sup>th</sup> February) and had enough content.

### **Any other business**

*Speed watch:* Eilidh said she had been out with Cllr Rowena Champion and local police at the junction of Liverpool Road and Barnsbury Street using a speed gun to monitor the number of vehicles exceeding the speed limit. The third and final check there would be on Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> March at mid-day.

Eilidh suggested that the policeman involved be invited to speak at a CI meeting and this was agreed.

*Holloway prison redevelopment:* Keith said there was a public meeting about this on Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> March at St George's Church.

**Date of next meeting:** Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> March 2018 at 7.30-9.30pm at the Town Hall