

## Cycle Islington meeting 11/10/2023

Chair:	SG	Minutes:	JAH
Attendees:	EM, AW, SK, NK, Bernie B (City), NB, Slavi K (Master's Student in User Experience Design), John C (Camden), Tom F (LCC), SM, AS, OL, JG, Tom C (Active Travel Academy), TB, KM, DL, JA. CK		
Apologies:	LH, RH		
Item	Topic / Action	Action:	
1	Minutes of last meeting (13/09/23) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Approved by all present. To be published to all members.</li> </ul>	JAH	
2	Minutes of last meeting - actions arising <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>SM mentioned that she was actioned to test out buddying system with SK, but they did not appear in Action column. However action was done. CI's set up on LCC's Buddy system all works well. JAH to correct minutes.</li> </ul>	JAH	
3	Enhancing the Cyclist Experience for Commuters <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Slavi gave a brief outline of his interesting project and agreed to forward a brief description together with ways in which we can contribute for circulation to CI's members.</li> </ul>	Slavi K	
4	Tom C explained how he came to write the Active Travel Report for APPGCW and ran through the key points: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The report was launched 11 September, with 5 Category A and 5 Category B recommendations for change. See report here: <a href="https://allpartycycling.org/wp-content/uploads/2023/09/APPGCW-Road-Justice-Report-2023.pdf">https://allpartycycling.org/wp-content/uploads/2023/09/APPGCW-Road-Justice-Report-2023.pdf</a></li> <li>The recommendations are sufficiently specific to enable progress on them to be tracked.</li> <li>We wait in hope for Government action!</li> </ul>		
5	Membership / awareness events <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Highbury Fields feedback to quick wins list – c/f</li> <li>Islington Schools funrun - c/f to May 2024</li> <li>Saddle &amp; Sole <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>A good trickle of people all day.</li> <li>About 30 new email addresses collected – JAH has written / texted to all personally - next time we need a GDPR tick box for follow up.</li> <li>Much interest in Social and Family Rides – to be followed up.</li> <li>Council have promised better organisation next year (all on one field)</li> <li>Cakes and games were popular.</li> <li>Cakes donations and Guess the Marbles raised £55.50 (mainly cash) but it was useful to have the LCC QR code for donations (£6.00 gross, £5.50 net).</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	NK JAH  JAH JAH	
6	Constitution changes <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Approved by LCC.</li> <li>Arrange an EGM for December</li> <li>Send out Constitution changes to all members in November.</li> <li>JC requested a copy</li> </ul>	JAH/EM JAH JAH	
7	Tom F gave his first impressions, after 5 weeks, of LCC. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Work is moving and powerful (first week was at the demo of the Battersea Bridge cyclist's death – and others have followed).</li> <li>Staff are welcoming, friendly, and hard-working.</li> <li>Campaigning generally is brilliant.</li> <li>There will be a focus on LCC's 50-year anniversary.</li> <li>Issues to be addressed (among others) are: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Guaranteeing income stream,</li> <li>Ensuring organisational sustainability,</li> <li>Enabling more diversity,</li> <li>And answering the question "Why aren't we bigger?"</li> </ul> </li> </ul>		
8	Kingsbury Bridge <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Changes to Balls Pond Road (ETO for a temp bus lane) – work starts 13/10.</li> <li>We should promote our contribution to this to our members as a significant achievement. OL will ask Marcus to prepare a statement. EM to update website and tweet about it.</li> </ul>	OL EM	

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Move project from “current” to “done” on our CI achievements documentation.</li> </ul>	JG
9	<p>OSCR</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Road currently closed until December.</li> <li>Action scheduled for January agreed – to be organised.</li> <li>No response from Will Norman yet.</li> </ul>	EM JAH
10	<p>Council Liaison report back (meeting 21/09)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Part of C50 is finished – rest is believed to be on schedule.</li> <li>Cycle Parking / Planning Officers report. No helpful response from Planning - to follow up.</li> <li>Hire-bike parking letter to press – sent for publication this week. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Stop Press; published in both Tribune and Gazette</li> </ul> </li> <li>Essex Road consultation report coming soon.</li> </ul>	NK
11	<p>Current smaller campaigns</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Penton Street <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Response from Will Norman. – c/f</li> </ul> </li> <li>Mildmay LN <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>CI response submitted: thanks to OL.</li> </ul> </li> <li>Market Road cycle tracks should be mandatory – and enforced.</li> <li>Benwell Road – resolved.</li> </ul>	RH
12	<p>Socials</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Gillespie Park Apple family ride 22 October 10:30 organised plus stall at Apple event <a href="https://www.eventbrite.com/e/little-legs-family-bike-ride-to-apple-day-gillespie-park-tickets-728229733737?aff=oddtcreator">https://www.eventbrite.com/e/little-legs-family-bike-ride-to-apple-day-gillespie-park-tickets-728229733737?aff=oddtcreator</a> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Need marshals for the ride. JG and Bernie volunteered – still need more.</li> <li>Stall arrangements at Gillespie Park in hand.</li> </ul> </li> <li>Social Ride – Fireworks theme 3 November <a href="https://www.eventbrite.com/e/pre-bonfire-bike-ride-for-over-18s-tickets-728240405657?aff=oddtcreator">https://www.eventbrite.com/e/pre-bonfire-bike-ride-for-over-18s-tickets-728240405657?aff=oddtcreator</a> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Need to decide and recce route.</li> </ul> </li> <li>December members’ meeting. Mince pies. EGM followed by short members’ meeting followed by pub.</li> </ul>	ALL SM  SK/JAH EM/JAH
13	<p>Active travel meeting with Council – main cycling related points</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Government’s announcement – effect on Islington projects. Unknown presently but feeling is they will not have a major impact. Team investigating. Work progressing as normal.</li> <li>Cycling and Walking Plan (now Active Travel &amp; Accessibility Plan) postponed to March/April due to staff being diverted to hire-bike parking pilot project.</li> <li>Staff changes a cause of delay but new staff coming in are good and just need to get up to speed with Islington’s projects.</li> <li>OSCR – some progress but complicated (partly due to potential LNs in the area – affects modelling). Working towards a proposal to put to TfL.</li> <li>Old Street major gas works. Council will endeavour to ensure that Highways tells CI of forthcoming major road works.</li> <li>Kingsbury Bridge (see item 8)</li> </ul>	
14	<p>Five Asks status.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Ready to go live – JG to write text for NK to implement (not immediately, due to CI / BLCS campaigning commitments and holiday)</li> <li>NK to give JG access to CI website</li> </ul>	JG/NK  NK
15	<p>Highbury fields shared path proposals.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>On-site discussion 14:00 Sat 14/10. What’s wrong with it as it is?</li> </ul>	EM
16	<p>Future Funding</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>It was agreed that, in principle, we should fund leaflets for “local” LN campaigns. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Mildmay – up to £40 requested and approved.</li> <li>Barnsbury Laycock – up to £100 requested and approved</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	
17	<p>Barnsbury Laycock</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>BLCS activity <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>c10,000 leaflets delivered to households,</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Leafleting at primary schools (St. Mary Mag and Thornhill done, St. Andrews, William Tyndall, Laycock to do). SM offered help.</li> <li>○ Leafleting at Secondary Schools – to be done if time.</li> <li>○ Chapel Market – SG offered.</li> <li>○ Posters in windows – tried in first phase with little success, even among “trusted supporters”. - Maybe try again in consultation period.</li> <li>○ Twitter, Nextdoor, letters to papers, etc.</li> <li>○ Group response to council by JAH</li> <li>● CI activity <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Cards to cyclists done by NK/JAH. AS offered to do some more.</li> <li>○ Flyers attached to bikes NK and BLCS members.</li> <li>○ Group response to Council.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	SM/JAH JAH SG/JAH  JAH  NK/JAH/AS  NK
18	CI archive – c/f <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● KM &amp; AD have collated archive material and will discuss what to keep / recycle.</li> <li>● Possibility to archive papers through Bishopsgate Institute (f.o.c.) and we also need a digital archive. Costs required.</li> </ul>	KM, AD  KM
19	Mastodon vs X – c/f	JAH
20	AOB <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Hackney protest ride Wednesday 18 October 17:30 Mabley Street, E9</li> <li>● There will be a Parklet at 97 Hemingford Road, N1 1BY on Sunday 15 October 13:30 &gt; 16:00. Please come along and show support.</li> <li>● JC asked for a liaison to cooperate on the Dartmouth Park LN proposals as it’s a joint Camden/Islington Project. SK offered.</li> </ul>	ALL  ALL  SK
21	Date/Time of next meeting <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Wednesday 9 November 2023 @ 19:00 &gt; 21:00. Committee Room 3. To be booked every three months (September, December, March, June).</li> <li>● Chair: JG Secretary: EM</li> </ul>	EM