



Hackney Cycling Monthly Meeting 10 January 2018

Attendees: Jono Kenyon (Coordinator), Dave Harris (Treasurer), Natalie Gould (Secretary), Gus MacDonald (Committee Member), Rachel Aldred (Research and Insight), Brenda Puech (Deputy Secretary), Garmon Ap-Garth (Committee Member), Ruth-Anna MacQueen (Community Outreach)

Apologies: Harry Fletcher-Wood (Consultation Coordinator), Matt Saywell (Multimedia).

1. Minutes and Matters Arising

NG to email Alix to get a price for a trailer.

JK met with TfL. The organisation has been restructured and many people have left, so JK wanted to meet the new staff. He met the person dealing with the cycling grid in Hackney. JK understood that the bus service is the priority for TfL and that TfL is shrinking as an operation owing to budget cuts. He raised the Shoreditch High Street crossing for QW13. With regard to the Bath Road – which we campaigned so hard to get introduced – the scheme is not going in until March 2018 (late spring).

2. Burns Night

DH said that he cannot log on to the Ticket tailor account, so he cannot confirm final order quantities etc. So far we have received £750, which relates to 28 full price tickets.

RL said that he will tell all the councillors during the next Labour group meeting.

GM said that he has sorted all prizes for the raffle although we need to get the actual tickets.

RAM suggested that we have a portable bar on a trolley so we can serve drinks at the tables and in the dance hall.

NG provided an update on the piper and purchase of vegetables.

BP said that Adrian (our chef) has been contacted.

JK said that there was a need to limit the singing and poetry because it goes on for too long.

NG will email Alex at Tower Hamlets to see if we can circulate the event on their mailing list.

JK to sort pint glasses from Waitrose.

3. Manifesto

JK said that we have got a Manifesto which is ready to go. The attendees at the meeting all approved the document. JK wants HFW to give the final say so before publication, and he will chase this up.



RAM said that we should remove reference to 'bicycles', and replace with 'cycles'.

4. Finance

Hackney Council have paid our BATB invoice, and Carry Me Bikes have paid their share of garage rental so the bank account is in reasonable shape.

The bank account signatories are out of date so DH to circulate documents to JK and NG so they can sign cheques.

5. Council Liaison

NG/JK/BP briefly summarised the meeting with the council which took place earlier that day.

6. Current Consultations.

Middleton Road

The consultation response has gone in – note of thanks to HFW.

Walford Road filtering

There is a meeting at 6pm on 15 January at St Pauls Church West, on Stoke Newington High Road, about the proposed scheme. The group has long advocated schemes such as this, so it would be useful if members could attend and speak in support of the scheme.

The scheme is designed to reduce rat running across the 'cell' and there are two options; there are potential rat runs left open with both options:

Option A allows motor vehicles to go between A10 and Church Street via Nevill Road (which is part of CS1) and Walford Road/Brighton Road (Brighton Road is also part of the cycle route network). However, Option B permits eastbound motor vehicle movements along Barbauld Road and Dynevor Road/Defoe Road.

There was no doubt that either of the two options was preferable to the status quo but there was mixed opinion in the group as to which option was best. It is possible that we could support Option A with additional road closure on Nevill Road. However, some people approved of Option B because it would remove through traffic along CS1.

Lansdown Road and Westgate Street School Street

The group supports the bus gate with 24 hours operation. We need to get our members to fill in the consultation.

West Bank cycle lane (CS1)

The group recognises that the street is narrow and there are problems with drivers who drive very close behind, or heading straight at, cyclists. There was a discussion whether armadillos are going to be sufficient, and some suggested that wands were preferable. The group will support the scheme on offer, but would like to see more



vertical height at the armadillos. We would like to ensure that there is sufficient enforcement to prevent illegal parking over the cycle lane.

Next meeting will be on Wednesday 7 February 2018 in Pembury Community Centre.