

**Minutes of Monthly Meeting of Lewisham Cyclists (LC) held at
Lewisham Civic Centre Catford Wednesday 16th September 2015
6.30pm**

- 1) **Present:** Jane Davis (Coordinator), Alex Raha, Stewart Whitworth, Brian Turpin
- 2) **Apologies:** Tim Collingridge (Secretary), John Phillips (Treasurer), Roger Stocker
- 3) **Minutes of last meeting and matters arising:**
 - a) **Cycling champion:** emails not being answered. Jane undertook to make phone calls in an attempt to expedite this.
 - b) **Q1 Consultation data** now posted on website.
 - c) **Brunel Bridge** linking Canary Wharf and Rotherhithe: awaiting response from Southwark Cyclists in answer to invitation to joint meeting with Sustrans
 - d) **Email newsletter for Lewisham membership:** Stewart attended a meeting at LCC office where he was shown LCC's Engaging networks software to do this. He believes it is inferior to our first choice of MailChimp. However, we are restricted somewhat as LCC office holds our membership list and they want us to use Engaging Networks. Stewart will contact Amy Summers at LCC and see if we can get independent access to our membership list. If we can, we will use MailChimp independently. If not, we will probably have to use Engaging Networks and let LCC control the issuing of email. However, editorial control remains with us.
 - e) **Molesworth St:** Now awaiting TfL's response to consultation.
 - f) **CS4:** Still awaiting details of joint meeting with TfL. Jane will chase this up.
 - g) **Cycling in Lewisham Parks:** More concern from meeting over the effects that cuts seem to be having and how this will impact on statutory areas like parks. The idea of contacting local councilors was raised.

4. Current Issues and Projects:

a) **Lewisham Gateway**

Attempts made to contact Kathryn Abraham had failed. Apparently she was on holiday but should be returned next week. Brian had been contacted by Jonathan Green from TfL who has promised to update Katherine this week and expedite a meeting.

Alex pointed out that the cycle count data used by TfL when planning the low H road layout now being built, was conducted in 2006. The figures were very low and do not reflect at all the much larger numbers of cyclists that currently use the junction. We decided to do our own count and set a date for Tuesday morning during the morning peak to carry this out, so that we can use these

figures to support our arguments in the meeting.

b) **Q1:** Work underway. We need to keep up to date on diversions.

Jane to contact Nick Harvey for update on NCN 21 route and Q2 diversions.

5. **A.O.B**

a) **Stanstead Rd/Brockley Rise junction alterations: TfL Consultation.**

Another plan to give pedestrians more crossing space but pays scant regard to cyclists and includes road narrowing that could make it worse. Needs a response by 29th. Jane has circulated on e list and FB for comments. She will collate and prepare response. Closing date 1/11/2015

b) **Draft Strategy Summary :** Alex is preparing a strategy summary document draft done by next meeting, leaving time for amendments to summary document following input from all Lewisham Cyclists in time for November meeting (AGM) and also time to discuss with councillors, Nick Harvey and anyone else relevant. He is working with Alex Ingram to populate it. Suggestions are of course welcome.

c) **AGM:** We discussed potential speakers to the AGM. Jane will contact Nick Harvey and Andrew Gilligan. Alex mentioned Nic Fripp from Waltham Forest Cycling Campaign, to talk about how they have worked with local authority. Jane will contact him. Then, depending on who is available, make final choice by second week in October.

d) **New CCFL funding round:** deadlines for this too tight and so we decided not to reapply for mend & ride money through this, but discuss further funding opportunities once we have evaluated current project. Mend and Ride Project Evaluation meeting needs setting up. Jane will do this.

Meeting closed 8.30pm

Next LC Meeting will be on Wednesday 21st October at 6:30pm at Lewisham Civic Centre.