

Record of Monthly Meeting of Lewisham Cyclists (LC) at Lewisham Civic Centre on Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> February 2019 6.30pm

Tim Collingridge (Secretary), Mike Tisdell, Brian Turpin, Matt Begg, Cllr Mark Ingleby, Rik Andrew, Alex Raha, Matthew Sparkes, Timo Tatzell, Iliana Koutsou, Josh Learner, Roger Stocker. *Apologies:* Jane Davis (Coordinator), Anna Schulenburg, John Phillips (Treasurer), Cllr Louise Krupski

The following items were discussed at the meeting:

- Update from Josh Learner (Lewisham Borough Walking and Cycling Programme Manager)
  - *Major projects:*
  - *A21 Lewisham Spine Outcome Definition (OD) study* - Bromley have pulled out due to LIP funding restrictions. 1<sup>st</sup> phase of OD done - traffic analysis. 2<sup>nd</sup> phase will concentrate on specific areas. Outcome Definition is very high level. If proceed to next stage start looking at actual outline designs.
  - *CS4 in general and expected construction start date on Lewisham section* - still expecting summer 2019 construction start. In Lewisham will be working from East to West. Lower Road section design around Surrey Quays still unresolved.
  - *Quietways update:*
    - *Southend Lane crossing/Worsley Bridge Road junction modelling results* - TfL modelling now due completion at end of Feb, very overdue.
    - *Quietway 14 in Deptford* - Main work is Grove St parallel raised crossing. On hold till 2022 as would be damaged by construction traffic from Deptford Timber Yard development. Temporary crossing will be installed in the meantime, other minor works in progress.
    - *Quietway 1 consultation re Blackheath section* - Consulted design has been amended with drop-kerbs to ease access to the route from the roadway. Works starting imminently.
  - *Bike Hangar roll-out* - 14 Hangars are scheduled to be installed by end Feb. 30 more by the end of May.
  - *One way to two way cycling conversions* - Watermans Consultants are analysing all one way street in Lewisham looking at variables like traffic counts, collisions and general deliverability. This work is expected to finish in March. Major program of conversions over the next two years.
  - *Low traffic neighbourhood filtered 'cells'* - The Healthy Neighbourhood program is going ahead with the first two areas having been selected based on a number of objective criteria. One of the initial areas is West Brockley i.e. Gellatly Rd area. Three months of Community Engagement will be starting very soon with a view to applying the filtering/one way measures in summer using experimental traffic orders. The program is aiming to cover two cells per year.
  - *Periodic review of Lewisham Cycle Strategy* - Josh said he would look into coordinating a Public Review Meeting for May. Also said that he has to prepare a quarterly review for Brenda Dacres (Lewisham Cabinet Member for Parks, Neighbourhoods and Transport) and thinks he could include us on the distribution list for that document.
  - *Crofton Park public realm scheme* - Watermans Consultants are doing a re-work of the Detailed Design concentrating initially on the area around Crofton Park station. Phased approach. Expecting public exhibition in March.
  - *LC proposed, on a quarterly basis, we ride over one or two NCN routes with Josh reviewing signage etc.* - Josh agreed to this and LC will send Josh a couple of suitable dates.
  - *Deptford North Liveable Neighbourhood* - Josh reported that they are hoping to start work on some of the simpler interventions, like raised crossings, during 2019. However some of the more major works, particularly Canal Approach, will probably run till 2021 because of the obstructing water main under Evelyn St.
  - *Local issues:*

- *Ha'Penny Hatch bridge westerly approach illicit car-parking issue* - Josh will look to replace the bollard at the west end of the shared path.
- *Catford Green development* - There is a total absence of 'visitor' cycle parking. Josh will take this issue up with the Developer.
- *Elverson Road Station cycle route re-surfacing* - Anomalous cycle markings and collapsed blocked surface south of bridge over river. Josh will look into this.
- *Eddystone Road walking and cycling bridge* - Footway improvement funds are planned to be used to improve the condition of this important bridge.
- Topical Items
  - Lewisham Cyclists Website:
    - The website navigation has been simplified and the home page decluttered by Anna.
  - Annual Meeting planning (April meeting)
    - Suggested speakers - Lucy Saunders, Heidi Alexander, Cllr Brenda Dacres and Will Norman?
    - Jane wasn't able to make the meeting so we're not sure if she has made progress on this yet?
  - Greenwich Town Centre Liveable Neighbourhood
    - For information there will be a Sub-group meeting 6.30pm 27th Feb @ Dog and Bell and all are welcome to attend.
- Update from Cycling Champion.
  - Grove Park/Railway Children Walk. Agreed with Josh to remove the 'kissing' gates sooner rather than later. If any resultant issues bollards could be installed.
  - There was recently a Councillors Workshop with the Catford Masterplanners. Mockups showed a very greened healthy street approach with wide pavements. Will be a public consultation soon. We queried whether Catford Bridge could have wide pavements/cycle lanes given the restricted road width and reminded Mark about the cantilevered cycle/walking bridge that has been proposed.
- Projects & Community Activity feedback.
- Attendees News & Views.
  - Connington Rd development has apparently been approved despite being almost identical to the previously rejected application.
  - Lewisham Gateway. TfL have offered a meeting with LC and an opportunity to see the RSA (Road Safety Assessment) Stage 3 review. The RSA Stage 4 review will be done later this year. After that there may be an overall review of the junction.

Important links for members to review and where appropriate respond:

- Greenwich Town Centre Liveable Neighbourhood proposals.  
<https://greenwichtowncentreproposals.commonplace.is/overview>

Meeting ended around 8.15pm.

Next Monthly Meeting will be on Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> March at 6.30 pm at Lewisham Civic Centre.

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