

GREENWICH CYCLISTS

MINUTES OF MEETING 4 JUNE 2008

1 Members present

Anthony Austin [Chair], Andy Braben, Stephen Craven, Sarah Ellis, Teri Griffiths, Brian Keane, Xoi Lee, Charlie Lloyd, Derek Mark, Barry Mason and David Senior.

Apologies from Liz Delap.

2 Minutes of last meeting

Approved (proposed Andy, seconded Sarah)

3 Matters arising

Greenwich stations survey: Charlie reported that First Great Western had sponsored a similar survey at Paddington.

Derek reported that the banners (2 vertical, 1 horizontal) had been printed and could be stored at the Armada Centre.

Anthony confirmed he had lodged an objection to the Hexagon footpath closure and Sarah reminded members that there was still time to object.

Anthony reported that at the Friends of Greenwich Park AGM, Derek Spur said the Royal Parks management was “actively considering” a 20mph limit, subject to legislation.

The sub-committee working on the Meridian School project had invited tenders from Halfords, Harry Perry and Decathlon for six bikes of differing models. The cost including accessories was likely to be in the region of £1000. A suggestion by Xoi that children would prefer BMXs was not supported given the likely range of use.

4 Planning issues

a) Westminster Estate (“missing link”)

Barry reported that Nick Raynsford MP was to meet councillors in late June and it was agreed no further action to be taken before then. Meanwhile LBG had submitted a LIP bid for funding to implement the scheme by the end of 2010. The Environment Agency had given its support to the river wall route.

b) Old Royal Naval College

There had been no contact with the College authorities about longer opening hours, or news of an official opening. It was agreed to let these matters rest.

c) Woolwich town centre

Charlie reported that Trevor Parsons was working with LBG on a permeability survey in the John Wilson Street / Woolwich New road area as part of the town centre redevelopment. At present it was only a mapping exercise, but input would be welcomed from Greenwich Cyclists. **Action: Stephen** to invite Trevor to a GC meeting.

d) Greenwich town centre

There was still no progress on the promised review of traffic flows. Barry thought this had been shelved by LBG until after the Woolwich development was completed.

5 Rides

Chris le Breton had stepped down as rides co-ordinator. Others had been attending the joint planning meetings with the aim of at least one ride per weekend and more in summer.

6 Bike Week

Rides were listed on the website and on the back of Pedal Power. **Action: Stephen** to upload details to the Bike Week website. It was agreed that the breakfast being organised by Sarah would only offer fruit juice, not hot drinks, and that there would not be a stall. Budget to be agreed outside the meeting.

7 Pedal Power

Five hundred leaflets had proved insufficient for the June distribution and quantities would be increased through the summer. Andy proposed that the offer from Tracked Access Hire of sponsorship in return for discreet advertising should be accepted and this was agreed. Current production cost was £10 for 500 in colour or £8 in monochrome and it was agreed to stick with colour.

Teri proposed doing a distribution in the evening instead of the morning rush hour. Andy said this had not been as successful in the past, but it was agreed to try it again next time.

8 Any Other Business

Andy reported an anonymous complaint from a pedestrian about cyclists' behaviour in the foot tunnel.