



## Derby Cycling Group – Members Meeting

Tues 6<sup>th</sup> February 2017 – 7:30pm @ The Golden Eagle Public House

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Round the Table Introductions

### 1. Present

Dave Shield (mins), Tony Roelich, Martin Aldred, Kim Plaskett, Dave Clasby

### 2. Apologies

Mark Hicklin Ian Dent

### 3. Minutes of previous meeting

- January Minutes approved.

### 4. Actions from previous Meeting.

- TR has sent formal DCG response re Derbyshire network

### 5. Membership

- Review of discussion from last time. No change for this coming year. **DS** to make 'case for change' on what membership should look like, circulate by email. To consider allocating slot for discussion at a future meeting.
- **AGM** - Normally second Tuesday in May, which would be 8th. Venue - To be confirmed, **TR** to check with **MH** re arrangements.
- **AGM** - **TR** asked for ideas for speakers for AGM

### 6. Charitable Incorporation

- Discussion of **ID** email re CIO. All generally in agreement that it would be a good move. **KP** noted from experience with other organisations that the required reporting to the Charities Commission does not require much time/effort. Need to know if this affects the membership debate between subscription and donation models. Agreed to ask **ID** to continue his research and make a proposal potentially for agreement at AGM

### 7. Newsletter

- Next newsletter scheduled ASAP - **DarylC**
- Articles welcomed by all members for future newsletters
- No movement on newsletter since last meeting. **TR** to try and get hold of whatever Daryl has. Need to get a newsletter out in March.
- **DC** suggested more frequent email communication to members, even if just circulating meeting minutes each month attached to a brief summary of current issues/recent progress.

### 8. Events Diary

- All members are encouraged to make suggestions for suitable future events & lead the organisation of the event.

## 9. Campaigns & Strategy

- **A38 junction upgrade proposals:**

Not a lot of detail in most recent press-release/images. **TR** has requested a meeting, still chasing.

**DC** noted Sustrans are particularly concerned about the Little Eaton island works potentially severing NCN54. Also noted that improvements to the A61 are in the Derbyshire CC work plan for 2018/19. He is trying to arrange a site meeting.

**TR** brought a set of drawings which he had previously received, and these were discussed:

1. Little Eaton Island

Key concerns were uncontrolled crossings on north and particularly south arms of roundabout, large-radius sliproads likely to result in high traffic speeds.

Ford Lane should be pedestrian/cycle priority crossing as it is effectively just a driveway for the caravan park.

2. Markeaton Park 'Curly' bridge

Would like to see cycle ways along this section of the A38 widened as part of this work. There is an obvious desire line from Markeaton Street to the foot of the bridge ramp which currently sees people cutting across the grass and up the steep bank. The replacement bridge should be substantially wider, ~4m for proper shared foot/cycle provision. Ramp angle should be shallower for inclusive access. Would an underpass be better than a bridge, given land on city side drops away from road and ramps would not need to be as steep/long as for a bridge which must clear lorries, etc.

3. A52 island

Drawings show several two-stage, dog-legged crossings. Need to be sure that they are compatible with the Highways England Design Vehicle to allow for non-standard cycles. South of the junction there appears to be no cycle provision on the west side of the A38 - should be a link to Greenwich Drive North. Opposite side still shows cycle provision coming on and off side roads - should be made into a continuous, off-road track as part of these works.

4. Brackensdale Avenue

Plans propose to use current access road to Kingsway industrial estate as link from Brackensdale Avenue to Kingsway junction. This is a narrow road with no potential for widening. As well as various other workplaces, the industrial estate houses a soft-play centre and a child-oriented climbing centre. Family-friendly walking and cycling access is therefore important.

5. Kingsway Island

Needs to link from cycle tracks alongside Kingsway to Mickleover Greenway on opposite side.

- **Active Travel Forum** - Brief discussion of last Forum. Little movement on getting officers to actually engage with stakeholders. How can we get councillors engaging and putting pressure on?

- **Data Protection:** **KP** noted different seminar for charities as opposed to businesses, perhaps more appropriate - will attend

- **DCG Suggested Projects / Improvements**

<https://derbycyclinggroup.org.uk/blog/suggest-projects/>

A list of suggested improvements for the Derby cycle infrastructure is being compiled. This list includes anything from quick fixes, repeat problems, large projects etc. All DCG members are encouraged to add topics.

## 10. AOB

- See **AGM**

**Meeting Closed @ 9:30pm**

**Next Meeting: Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> March 2018**

**7:30pm @ The Golden Eagle Public House (upstairs)**