



Cycle Rail Integration

Derby has been selected to take part in ATOC (Association of Train Companies) Stations Travel Plan - National Pilot Programme. That's quite a lot to get your tongue around! What does it mean in plain English?

Derby Train Station has been selected, from a list of competing cities, town and authorities, to take part in an integrated transport scheme. Derby's success in gaining a place on this programme may have been due to being a cycle demonstration town, as this status will be complimentary to the Station Travel Plan.

According to the aims of [Derby's Travel Plan](#) "Promoting cycling would be a major objective as would promoting other, sustainable, access modes (walking, cycling, buses, car-sharing)".

The work of the plan will begin in 2009, but the preliminary stages of fact finding is happening now and the public can influence the process by filling an [online travel survey](#).

The more people who become aware of the Station Travel Plan (STP) the greater our voice will be in affecting the outcome.

Wearing Reflective Vests made law for cyclists in France.

From September 1st French cyclist are now obliged to wear a reflective vest outside of towns or when visibility is poor.

This presumably means in towns in broad daylight it is legal not to be wearing a vest whilst it is illegal in the countryside?

However the point could be made that country roads are statistically more dangerous. If accident rates are cut, the legal status of wearing reflective vests during the day in towns might be altered and we will be watching carefully to how this law works.

Duffield Road Bus Lane

At a recent council meeting to review the Duffield Road bus lane pilot, it was decided to continue permanently with the bus lane as it presently is. As the pilot was taking place, DCG has been developing proposals to enhance cycle traffic travelling north bound out of town, and we hope to have firm ideas to present soon. Further ideas on the table include developing Darley Grove from the Broadway traffic island through Darley Park as a cycle lane.

Chairman John to stand down

John Stubbs will be standing down as chairman and from the committee at the next AGM. I'm sure we will all agree that this is very sad news for the group and to thank John for all his hard work. By letting us know in advance he feels DCG can develop into the next phase of campaigning with his help, thereby leaving us in a healthy position.

DCG group on Facebook

For any members who are aware of Facebook and have an interest in using online social networks, DCG now has Facebook Group page. To view and add comments on the page members will need to have an account on Facebook, (which I'm sure isn't every ones cup of tea), but if it is possible to have a large portion of members join the group, it would be a valuable DCG online resource to compliment our website and e.Newsletter.

[DCG Facebook Group](#)

EVENTS

- **Derby Bike Film Festival - Saturday 22- Sunday 23 November**

Location

QUAD
Market Place
Derby
DE1 3AS

The Quad is hosting a weekend of cycling adventures including a selection of the best new, established and community cycling films.

Sundays events are FREE but availability is limited, to get tickets phone Quad box office on 01332 290606

Saturday 22nd

The Goonies 3:30pm

[Inertia BMX](#) flatland and trials displays 5:30-8:30pm Free

[Subism](#)- Bike Film Festival after party at the Vaults (On Irongate, next to the Slug and Lettuce)
9:00pm-2:00am £4 entry

Sunday 23rd

The Goonies 1:30

Bicycle Thieves 4pm

[Bicycle Ballet](#) from the Spokes at Osnabruck Square(Behind Quad) 6pm

Bike Film Shorts and Photography Competition Winners Slideshow 6:30-9pm

- **Cyclenation/CTC annual conference**

15th Nov 2008, The Gateway Centre, Warrington, WA1 1SR

10:30 am to 4:30 pm

<http://www.streets-ahead.org/>

Warrington Cycle Campaign and 20's Plenty For Us are hosting the "Streets Ahead" conference on 15th November 2008. This is a must for those campaigning for better road conditions for pedestrians and cyclists.

We are focussing on the theme :-

"Cyclists and pedestrians - Campaigning Together, Succeeding Together"

All of us human powered road users share the same vulnerability and this conference will widen the invited attendees to include pedestrian and other non-motorised road campaigners.

The conference will aim to provide real case studies and information to help campaigners. Not so much a presentation on *why* (you already know that) but *how* we can achieve our aims. We believe that this will really appeal to grass-roots campaigners and provide them with information, examples, case-studies and success stories to enable them to achieve more in their own local campaigns.

Key topics will be "20 mph for residential roads" and "strict liability", both foundation policies in developing streets as "public spaces" rather than the preserve of motor vehicles.

We have an excellent session planned for the major pedestrian and cycling charities to present their campaigning programmes for 2009. These include CTC, Cyclenation and Living Streets. This will look at the synergy between the campaigns and the opportunities for multilateral campaigning at national and local level. It will also be an opportunity to provide feedback to national campaign representatives.

Membership Renewal

Along with this newsletter will come an email reminding you of your subscription renewal for those for whom it is again due. Please do continue to give us your support by renewing your membership

Join the Derby Cycling Group:

Please support us in the work we do by joining us. Just click on the Join Us link on the homepage www.derbycyclinggroup.org.uk to download an application form.

Contact the Derby Cycling Group:

Monthly meetings: 1st Tuesday of every month, 7.30pm at The Brunswick Inn, Railway Terrace, Derby DE1 2RU. Everyone Welcome. Contact John Stubbs (contact details below) for further information.

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