



Derby Cycling Group – Members Meeting

Tuesday 4th Feb 2020 – 7:30pm @ West End Community Centre

Round the Table Introductions

1. **Present:** Hardy Saleh (chair), Mark Hicklin (mins), Lucy Giuliano, Tony Roelich, Ian Dent, Dave Clasby, Ken Timmis, Cathy Tester, Eloise Thatcher, Martin Aldred, Jean Baird, Tim Saul, David Shield, Lucy Care, Gordon Fleming
2. **Apologies:** Kim Plaskett, James Thatcher
3. **Minutes of previous meeting:** January Minutes approved.
4. **Actions from previous Meeting:** none

5. CAMPAIGNS

- **International Women’s Day 2020 – IWD2020**

Lucy Giuliano gave an update on the 3 main planned events for IWD2020:

- 1) 20 inspirational profiles of all types of women cyclists from Derby to be shared on the website & social media on the run up to IWD on 8th March. These profiles are to promote female cycling and encourage other women to cycle.
- 2) Women’s cycle ride as part of IWD on the 8th March, based at the Quad.
- 3) Women only cycling event at the Derby University Enterprise Centre on Weds 26th February, 7-9pm. This event will have 4 female guest speakers covering 4 different topics related to female cycling: Family cycling, cycle confidence, practical/tips & route planning.

- **#thisgirlcan funding** – Lucy suggested that funding is also available to the DCG up to £10k to promote women cycling. This money could be spent on female cycle maintenance classes, or training female cycle mechanics, etc.

- **Recent Cycle Death in Derby**

Extremely sad news that a 25 year old local girl, Josephine Gilbert was involved in a fatal cycling accident near Markeaton Park on the 21st Jan. The thoughts of the DCG go out to the family & friends of Josephine.

The event was marked by a gathering of cyclists on the evening of 26th Jan at Markeaton Park to pay their respects. Special thanks to Lucy for organising this event at such a sensitive time. It is hoped that this is the last death on a Derby road and highlights the requirements for better safer cycling infrastructure in Derby.

A letter to be sent to the Derby council for a formal response [Eloise/Dave], in advance of the next council meeting on 26th Feb.

- **A38 Update**

Next public hearing is on 18th & 19th February.

The DCG are opposed to the scheme due to the lack of provision for cycling/walking in the current proposal. In the current climate, this has to be at the forefront of any proposal. There is also no mitigation to address the 4 years of traffic chaos during construction.

The Derby Climate Coalition has also set up a website <https://www.a38derbychaos.org> to object against the construction with a petition.

6. ADMIN

- **Website update**

The new revised and improved DCG website <https://derbycyclinggroup.org.uk/> is now fully functioning. The look & feel is a vast improvement. Special thanks to Ian Dent and all those involved in this improvement.

However, the quality of the website is only as good as its content. So articles, stories, etc. are required through the year

- **Transforming the DCG into Charity status.**

It is recommended that the DCG change to a CIO (Charitable Incorporated Organisation) charity and is agreed.

Members will be required to elect trustees.

Changes to the DCG constitution are required, this will be done by a standard charity template.

All members require to be informed. Target for AGM in May 2020.

- **Free Membership system**

The free membership system has now been introduced.

11 new members agreed this month.

- **Trello & Slack** – Collaborative Software tools to replace email communication.

Trello – Project Management Application, for organising tasks only.

Slack – A communication Application to channel email into topics.

Still on learning curve, but both Apps are seem to be working well.

- **Newsletter**

Next Newsletter planned in March. All content to be sent to Tim in February

It was agreed that a paper annual newsletter print is no longer required.

Articles & suggestions are welcomed by all members for future newsletters

Contact: articles@derbycyclinggroup.org.uk

- **Derby Cycle Map update**

Derby City Council are interested in updating & republishing the 'Cycle Derby' route map.

The last version was 2013 with no paper versions available.

https://www.derbyconnected.com/wp-content/uploads/2013/05/Derby_Web-Map.pdf .

Update is expected in April 2020. DCG members to add 'local knowledge' for most appropriate cycle routes. Ian Dent to share digital version.

- **Diversity**

The topic of diversity amongst the DCG was discussed, with a poignant reading by Hardy.

Possible steps to expand the diversity of the DCG to be discussed at future meetings.

7. AOB

- AGM is scheduled is preliminary scheduled for Tues 19th May 2020

Guest speaker and awards to be discussed at future meetings.

Meeting Closed @ 10:00pm

Next Meeting: Tuesday 3rd March 2020, 7:30 @ West End Community Centre