



## Derby Cycling Group – Members Meeting

Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> March 2020 – 7:30pm @ West End Community Centre

### Round the Table Introductions

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

### 5. CAMPAIGNS

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

Lucy Giuliano gave an update on the IWD2020 events:

- 1) 9 out of 20 inspirational profiles of all types of women cyclists from Derby have so far been shared on the website & social media. These profiles are aimed to promote female cycling and encourage other women to cycle, on the run up to IWD on 8<sup>th</sup> March. The profiles so far have been excellent!
- 2) A number of Women’s cycle rides are planned from districts around Derby. All rides finish at the Quad, as part of IWD on the 8<sup>th</sup> March. Return rides are also planned.
- 3) A very successful Women only cycling event was held at the Derby University Enterprise Centre on Weds 26<sup>th</sup> February, 7-9pm. 4 female guest speakers covered 4 different topics related to female cycling: Family cycling, cycle confidence, practical/tips & route planning.
- 4) Lifecycle Derby gave away 10 bikes to women from Derby. The bikes were completely free and even included a free fitting & service.

- **A38 Update**

A public hearing was held on 18<sup>th</sup> & 19<sup>th</sup> February.

The council is to employ a ‘Community Relations’ Manager to help any problems/issues with people or companies

A second meeting is planned on the 19<sup>th</sup> March

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.

A Stall is planned by the Derby Climate Coalition in Derby city Centre on Saturdays 14<sup>th</sup> March to advertise the issues and engage people.

Many trees are to be chopped down, mainly on the A38 edge of Markeaton park, however a Giant Oak is protected, located near the ‘curly’ footbridge.

- **Vision Zero - Derby City Council Meeting – 26<sup>th</sup> Feb**

A question was submitted to the council asking what improvements are going to be made, following the recent death of a cyclist in Derby. The question also asked if the Council are to adopt 'Vision Zero' (a traffic system that is aimed to reduce deaths by changing traffic flows to protect the most vulnerable road users)

The council response is found on the minutes of the council meeting for Question D.

<https://derby.cmis.uk/Meetingscalendar/tabid/73/ctl/ViewMeetingPublic/mid/410/Meeting/9099/Committee/1881/SelectedTab/Documents/Default.aspx>

The topic of a Protest Ride / Critical Mass to raise awareness of cycle safety in Derby. It was noted that Notts & Leicester hold on every month.

## 6. ADMIN

- **Website update**

The new revised and improved DCG website <https://derbycyclinggroup.org.uk/> is now fully functioning. However, the quality of the website is only as good as its content. So, articles, stories, etc. are required through the year

Video Content may be required to give the website more appeal.

Any ideas to be discussed at the next meeting.

- **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, ideally between 3-12 people.

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.

- **Diversity**

A draft DCG diversity statement was proposed and discussed.

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

DCG need to target diverse groups to widen the interest in cycling.

- **AGM**

The 2020 AGM is preliminary scheduled for 7:30pm on Tues 19<sup>th</sup> May 2020.

Proposed venues are the West End CC or The Enterprise centre, tbc at the next meeting.

Ideas & suggestions required for guest speaker(s) & awards

- **Newsletter**

Next Newsletter planned in March/April

Articles & suggestions are welcomed by all members for future newsletters

Contact: [articles@derbycyclinggroup.org.uk](mailto:articles@derbycyclinggroup.org.uk)

## 7. AOB

- **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](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.

*Meeting Closed @ 10:00pm*

**Next Meeting: Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> April 2020, 7:30 @ West End Community Centre**