



Derby Cycling Group – Members’ Meeting Minutes

1st September 2026

1 Present

Ken Timmis (KT), Jean Baird (JB), Tony Gordon (TG) – minutes

2 AGM

Date: Tuesday 15th September 7:30pm

Location: Mr Grundy’s (booked)

Officers: The following nominations have been received to date:

Chair: no nominees

Secretary: no nominees

Treasurer: James Bailey

Committee Members: Martin Aldred, Jean Baird, Ian Dent, Tony Gordon, Tony Roelich

TG suggested the roles of chair and secretary could be rotated as a fallback. JB offered to take on some additional responsibilities.

No guest speaker. Thanks to **ID** for his efforts to invite one.

Motions for the meeting: None received.

Logistics:

ID will provide a projector and laptop

ID and JWB will draft a review of the year for **JWB** to present

JB will provide biscuits.

3 City Centre "No Cycling" event – 21st August

Organised by Councillor Sarah Chambers. JB went (late) but the event had already finished. **TR** or **JWB** to provide feedback.

4 Spondon Island crossings project

TR to report any developments at the next meeting.

5 A38 Junctions - list of alternative projects

This is a list of proposed improvement projects as an alternative to the cancelled A38 Junctions work, to be presented to the Combined Authority Mayor, Claire Ward.

TR to provide any update at the next meeting.

Derwent Valley Cycleway team putting proposal forward to progress independently of A38 work.

6 East Midlands Cycling Forum

Scheduled for 3rd October in Nottingham. **ID, JB, TG** to attend, others are welcome.

TG to gather information and present a brief update on behalf of DCG.

7 Cycle Network Disconnections workshop

To progress a document that DCG can present in answer to the question “what do we want” when the opportunity comes up. Mr Grundy’s booked for 7:30-9:30pm on Tuesday 29th September.

ID to lead workshop. **TG** to bring a projector screen.

8 DCG Membership

ID reported that DCG has 367 members on file. The meeting discussed ways to approach members on the list who may want to become more actively involved.

All to review membership list and potentially approach contacts they know.

9 Derby City Council engagement

TG has approached the council regarding Neighbourhood Boards and received the following information so far:

There is a team of 5 council staff who are responsible for running Neighbourhood Boards in different wards of the city. I have received responses from two so far stating that Boards are scheduled to meet quarterly in the following wards: Abbey, Arboretum, Normanton, Allestree, Darley, Mackworth, New Zealand. Councillor Carmel Swan is on the Darley board. We can request to attend a board by contacting the council team in advance.

It was agreed that we should consider this after the Disconnections Workshop as a way of pursuing specific local actions from the workshop to see whether it is likely to have value.

10 Cycle Spaces on Trains

JB reported a positive response from Catherine Atkinson to her letter re. insufficient bike spaces on the new Aurora trains. She felt it would be useful to know what the provision was on other local rail companies and suggested surveying members on this.

JB to create an email template for ID to distribute.

11 AOB

11.1 Little Eaton Greenway

The Little Eaton Greenway is now fully open for 3.5 miles from Little Eaton to the A609 at Rawson Green. JB and TG have ridden it and report that it is well surfaced and already popular with cyclists, walkers and horse riders.

Currently, this leaves a “missing” section of about 2 miles between Rawson Green and the start of the Ripley Greenway at Marehay (which can be linked by riding along the B6179). TG believes that this may be discussed at the next LEGS meeting but cannot attend. If anyone from DCG is able to go, the meeting is on **Tuesday 8th September at 7pm** in the New Inn pub, opposite Big on Bikes in Little Eaton.

11.2 Led Rides

KT asked about the possibility of restarting any led rides, with a brief discussion about the purpose. The meeting felt that training rides for novice riders was outside DCG scope but that rides demonstrating cycle routes within the city (e.g. between Derby Uni campus locations) may be worth considering. To be discussed further when there are more attendees at the meeting.

11.3 A61 Cycle Path at Breadsall

Post meeting note: TG meant to record appreciation of the work done in the last month to clear vegetation along the side of the cycle path very comprehensively back to the hedge – although not sure whether thanks are due to the City Council, County Council or Highways Agency.

12 Next Meeting

AGM: Tuesday 15th September, 7:30pm at Mr Grundy's

Disconnections Workshop: Tuesday 29th September, 7:30pm at Mr Grundy's

Monthly Meeting: Tuesday 6th October 7:30pm at Mr Grundy's.

Mr Grundy's has been booked for the above meetings plus Tue 3rd November and Tue 1st December.