

Cycle Chesterfield Monthly Meeting 13/08/24 (online)

Present: Alastair Mickle (Secretary), Martin Farr (Treasurer), Dean Sas (Social media, minutes), Jason Dent (Newsletters), Graeme Challands, Barbara Sansome, Chris Allen

Apologies: None received.

Alastair agreed to chair this meeting

Minutes of previous meeting 9/7/24: approved

Updates on outstanding actions:

	ACTION	Progress	Owner
1	Cycle Friendly Employers scheme	Meeting of working group to be arranged MF to share interim article for publication on website with DS	TF/MF/AM MF/DS
2	CC promotion at Dr Bike sessions 2024	Didn't email out. Dr bike volunteers had time to hand out maps and leaflets	AM
3	Newsletter distribution	Wingerworth distribution created in Member Mojo with 3 members. MF & KF to distribute Dronfield & Wingerworth rounds when available. Will liaise with AM each quarter. TF is able to distribute Hasland round. DISCHARGED	AM
4	Tapton waymarker	No update	TF
5	Website - updates	Issue found preventing updates to website front page, resolving that is the top priority for DS. Still to improve website navigation To add objectives, updates to maps and leisure routes	DS
6	Cycle map requests	AM attempted delivery to Monkey Park several times but closed.	AM
7	Fault reporting	Mixed results in getting things fixed. Discussion opened with Bridget Gould about our views on necessary annual maintenance.	MF
8	Future meetings - investigate alternative venues	Unnecessary as DCC are honouring our prices until November 2025.	SS

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		DISCHARGED	
9	Future meetings - find speakers for member meetings	MF has been in touch with Dexter of Cycle Sheffield who is available to speak at our AGM	MF
10	September meeting 10/9 at Chesterfield Library	AM emailed Carina Humberstone (author of Peak District rides) about speaking at the September meeting but hasn't heard back yet. Possible that the September meeting will not have a speaker. DISCHARGED	AM
11	Summer rides programme	Promoted via social media, but station noticeboard not updated. DISCHARGED	DS
11	Christmas Social	Plan and lead a short Christmas Lights ride Sat 7 th Dec evening – Brampton Brewery booked. Children are allowed DISCHARGED	JD MF
12	Climate Change Forum 16/7	TF not present so no update AM delivered maps for TF to take to that meeting	TF AM

Treasurer Report MF

Balance for end July 2024 stands at £3899. This is an overall reduction of around £100 since the last meeting in July. £140 for festival and internet charges, and two new membership fees in.

Membership report: MF (temporary)

235 paid up members. This is an increase of 2 people since the last meeting in July.

Secretary Report AM

AM joined a meeting with Focus about the canal masterplan for the next 10-15 years. AM suggested that they consider path widths and cycle parking.

Crow lane traffic lights - AM has tested these with car and bike and they are working as expected.

Planning Report AM

Warehouse on Fan road in Staveley, will be adding cycle parking. AM suggested how to improve access to them

House estate in Old Whittington: Suggested all sites have cycle parking

Inkersall development proposed a cycle store for each house. AM suggested they make it a planning permission requirement.

Trident house on Baden-Powell Rd. Planning app has no cycle parking. Will Roles CBC sustainability officer has asked for parking

DCC put in a planning app to make Corporation St one way towards the train station with a contraflow cycle lane. Concerned about practicality as taxis park there. AM suggests a segregated cycle route.

York House on St Marys Gate is changing to small offices and will include an indoor cycle store.

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New Markham Vale paths are very good. GC has thanked the councillor responsible for Markham Vale for building it.

We've resubmitted our comments on an earlier planning app between Unstone and Dronfield suggesting a cycle path and crossing point.

Social Media Report DS

Nothing to report.

Objectives Review

Objective: Deliver Cycle Festival 2024 **COMPLETED**

Objective: Develop a Cycle Friendly Employer Scheme **IN PROGRESS**, meeting of working group pending. MF to share an article with DS for the website, promoting the CyclingUK scheme as an interim measure.

Objective: Cycle Infrastructure Fault Reporting **IN PROGRESS**

50% of reported problems have been fixed for small one-off issues like a particular overhanging branch.

MF has reported several issues about road surfacing / marking have gone unanswered for about three months. The responsible officer has been chased and the local councillor informed.

AM has chased about vegetation being cut back on the station path and several other areas. Bridget Gould from Highways has replied and said a job has been raised and will be done shortly.

Bridget also discussed a maintenance package and what that looks like. We think that one thorough annual cut back *might* suffice, but two would be much better.

It was also noted that the broken bollard behind the fire station has been removed.

AM has spoken to Rod Aulton at Chesterfield Canal Trust. The resurfacing of the canal towpath came in under budget due to use of local limestone, so they're going to extend the resurfacing towards Staveley.

Any Other Business

GC has been contacted by a Canal Society Trustee about a perceived increase in rudeness of cyclists "charging through" both at Hollingwood Hub and Tapton Lock. We have also noticed an increase in the number of people using e-motorbikes on cycling infrastructure, including the canal towpath. We consider it unlikely that our members are likely to be responsible but came up with a list of ideas to help

- Improve signage - there's no "please dismount" sign coming from Staveley.
- The barrier to slow people down appears to be damaged.
- MF suggested that if enough people report it to police, at some point the police would have to develop an anti-social behaviour plan.
- AM will write an article in the newsletter about anti-social cycling and the differences between e-bikes and electric motorbikes, to help raise awareness.

Staveley Millennium Milepost - CA will work with GC on refurbishing it.

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4	Cycle map requests	Continue to attempt delivery to Monkey Park.	AM
5	Fault reporting	Continue discussion with Bridget Gould about our views on necessary annual maintenance.	MF
6	Future meetings - find speakers for member meetings	Continue to find speakers	MF
7	Climate Change Forum 16/7	TF to report back	TF AM
8	Anti-social cycling	AM to share feedback with Rod Aulton on possible improvements AM to write anti-social cycling newsletter article	AM