

Cycle Chesterfield Monthly Committee Meeting 14/4/26 (online)

Present: Alastair Meikle (Chair), Martin Farr (Secretary), Sharon Stone (Memberships), Ian Menzies (Treasurer), Dean Sas (Website), Paul Wilson, Paul Faulkner, Tom Hardwick, Andy Dunn

Apologies: Megan Cook, Chris Allen, Tony Ford (Committee / Newsletter)

Minutes of previous meeting (10/2/26): Approved, no outstanding actions.

Treasurer Report (IM)

February balance: £3393.96

March balance: £4102.02

Increase due to membership renewals

Membership Report (SS)

The January renewal cycle is complete. Membership numbers are between 220-225.

Planning Report (AM)

The old M&S building is to be converted to 42 flats with bike store access via two small doors. We pointed out one big door would be better which the developers accepted.

The planning application to convert the old Eyres building into flats has had more detail provided but no cycle parking in the plans.

The Bridge Inn is to be demolished and replaced with fifteen flats, there are some outbuildings but it's unclear whether they're to be cycle parking.

Newsletter

We've received positive feedback about the new layout and content since the recent relaunch.

We've confirmed that the newsletter is members only, the website will only make available the previous (not the most recent) edition to show potential members what they can expect.

NEDDC no longer delivers the printed newsletter. We will research alternative printers that are more convenient while still being within the same ballpark price range.

Deadline for the next edition: mid-May

Cycle Friendly Employers

Has been advertised to 210 local employers from Sheepbridge to Clay Cross, received 2 positive replies.

Next steps: Narrow our focus to a handful of employers we view as being most likely to engage, a narrower focus will let us concentrate on getting in touch with the right individuals at those employers.

Cycle Audit / Waterside / Avenue

We sent out the cycle audit document we made to various local organisations.

Alan Simpson (EMCCA sustainable travel ambassador) asked for some more specific proposals, so AM, MF & Graeme Challands prepared three docs and met with him:

- Cycling infrastructure around Staveley's schools and estates
- A Chesterfield North-South proposal stretching from Waterside to Clay Cross
- Holme Hall Network: A variety of quicker, cheaper route wins

Feedback was that our proposed schemes needed to be bigger - inclusive of trams/trains/buses and not just walking and wheeling. AM & GC are going to look at progressing.

We had a cycle ride with Toby Perkins to show the condition of some of the cycling infrastructure.

We've been in contact with CBC about using CIL on cycle path improvements.

Community Cycle Club

Discussion on making some of our rides more "community centered" - looking for new riders in certain areas to join in. Ideas included working with Holme Hall and/or Brockwell schools on a short easy ride to encourage cycling to school.

June Members Meeting

Invite members to give cycle related talks. MF will enquire about venues - Brampton Brewery / St Thomas'

New Flyer

DS to draft a new flyer advertising Cycle Chesterfield and what we do.

Any other business

Rod Aulton from Chesterfield Canal Trust said there's a problem with the bike pump at Hollingwood. CA will look into what the problem is.

TH had difficulty parking his bike at CRH because it was full. AM will suggest increasing the number of cycling stands.

New actions

	Action	Notes	Owner
1	Draft flyer	Produce and share draft via email	DS
2	Find alternative newsletter printers		MF
3	June members meeting venue	Check price/availability with Brampton Brewery / St Thomas'	MF