

Notes from Wheelrights Routes Group Meeting held Monday 10th November 2014 in the Railway Inn

Present:- Chris Walsh (CW), David Naylor (DN), Nick Guy (NG), Mike Lewis (ML), John Sayce (JS)

Apologies:- Chris Connick, Phil Jones

Meeting chaired by CW.

1. Feedback from Cycling Action Plan (CAP) meeting by DN & NG

1.1 Priority routes

Agreed that these routes should become agenda items for the Council to report on at future CAP meetings. **DN/NG**

Also the three routes were split amongst the <meeting attendees > with a view to identify and progress issues to assist with their successful implementation. While accepting the value of subdividing DN noted that our various specialist skills (e.g infrastructure detail and campaigning tactics), should be shared across the board.

Uplands- City Centre - Liberty Stadium (Morfa Dist'r Rd works) <DN/CW>

Bonymaen - Liberty Stadium <ML/JS>

Gowerton - Pontarddulais <NG>

The section using the old railway track between Gowerton & Kingsbridge will take some time as there are 3 landowners involved.

1.2 Urban Cycle Network

- £30k available for improvements
- Pleasant St improvements ongoing with proposed changes suggested by DN implemented This will eventually link to Kings Lane.
- Boulevard Phase 1 nearing completion routes now both sides of Quay parade open

1.3 Active Travel Group

- Councils should be setting these groups up and the question was asked, we await feedback.

1.4 Next CAP mtg scheduled for 20-Jan-15

2. Existing Infrastructure

The idea of cycling the current 'Tube Map' was further discussed. An open invitation would be extended to all Wheelrights members to meet on the first Saturday of the month with a view to cycle a section of the map and identify issues and potential improvements. Further this would hopefully engage the wider membership by establishing a regular social occasion which would also provide input to CCS on a technical level.

Post meeting: Ride now on Events page of website.

1st meeting Sat 6 December, 10am Civic Centre

Rather than list individual issues in these notes I have chosen to create an Appendix that no doubt will start to fill quickly. Also we can add more detail in what may become our working document for review and discussion with CCS.

3. Campaigning Activity

3.1 Gowerton-Pontarddulais

NG proposed that Wheelrights invest £100 to help initiate a Participation Study. Consensus achieved and agreed

3.2 Kingsway

Wheelrights meeting held 4th Nov to discuss CCS proposals. A letter was prepared and sent to Cllr Mark Thomas (Cabinet Member for Environment and Transport) and was dated 6 Nov. Wheelrights await a response.

4. Next Meeting 5:45pm Monday 12th January at the Railway Inn

Appendix 1 - Existing Route Infrastructure Issues

1. NCN 4 DN noted that at the last CAP he had raised an earlier request from Wheelrights for minor infrastructure changes on NCR 4 between Gowerton and Loughor Bridge. These comprise:-

1.1 a dropped kerb to access the Sterry Road toucan

1.2 rerouting for safety reasons at the east approach to Loughor Bridge.

Details are on the infrastructure page of Wheelrights website.-**Action DN**