Wheelrights Routes Group

Notes of meeting/ride on 6th January 2018

in the Civic Centre Café, Swansea.

Present: Bill Gannon (BG), Nick Guy (NG), David Naylor (DN), Chris Walsh (CW).

1. Matters arising from 2 December meeting.

<u>Meeting with Leader</u> (Item 2.) NG advised that this meeting (at which he would represent Wheelrights) was now scheduled for 22 January. He checked with us what routes he should prioritise for this meeting. He left with DN a map with these routes highlighted. They are (See Indexed map on Infrastructure page.):

- <u>Gowerton Kingsbridge link</u>. (6a & MT0002).
- Walter Road to Uplands. (7c)
- NCR 43 North Bank route. (ST0009). This would be on E. side of Nantong Way.
- <u>Tirpenry Morriston Hosp</u>. (23 & MT0018)

We agreed with this.

2. Assessment of Routes.

DN reminded the group of the need for contributions to the draft Assessment document (SwanseaCRass.doc) he had introduced at the previous meeting (Item 3. in notes.), none having been received so far. **[Action: all.]**

3. Next meeting.

10.00am Saturday, 3 February, in the Environment Centre Café.

The ride

BG, DN & CW explored a potential link from the coast (NCR 4) to Olchfa School. This would follow Ashleigh & Derwen Fawr Roads and Saunders & Aneurin Ways. We thought this would be a good route. A short pedestrian only section on Ashleigh Road (Post meeting: DN has learnt that this road is owned by the Bible College.) would need to be made shared use (with segregated lanes) and a potential traffic hazard on the narrows of Derwyn Fawr addressed, possibly by the addition of advisory cycle lanes. North of this no changes (other than signing) would be needed as these roads are lightly trafficked.

This route comprises the S. end of AS0037 which then leaves Derwyn Fawr Road on Ynys Newydd Road (the dump turn off), and from there goes off-road, skirting the Clyne Valley, parallel to the northerly part of our recommended on-road route. We do not recommend this off-road alternative for active travel, but it would make an attractive recreational route.

The bend where Rhyd-y-Defaid Drive changes to Aneurin Way marks the east end of a footpath to near the Railway Inn. We recommend that this be upgraded for cycle use as it provides a west-east link between NCR 4 and the Singleton University Campus (which in turn links with the Uplands). It comprises Wheelrights Route 7b and the westerly branch of AS0037.

Notes prepared by David Naylor