

Minutes of Richmond LCC meeting of 12th Dec 2011

Present: Sue Abel; Jonathan Gurney; John Head; Paul Luton; Jonathan Rowland; Nick Tittle

Review of Annual Meeting

At the Annual Meeting held on 14 November 2011 Nick Tittle was elected as Campaigns Coordinator and Paul Luton as Rides Coordinator. Jonathan Rowland said that he was unable to continue as Borough Coordinator owing to pressure of other work. The meeting ended without a new Coordinator being appointed.

Elections

It was agreed to create three new posts in order to involve more people in the work previously carried out by Jonathan:

Chair: responsible for convening and for the conduct of meetings.

Vice Chair: to work closely with and to share the work of the Chair.

LCC Coordinator: responsible for liaison with London Cycling Campaign and for maintaining the membership and contacts lists.

Subsequently, the following were elected:

Chair: John Head

Vice Chair: Sue Abel

LCC Coordinator: Jonathan Rowland

Jonathan Rowland

The Chair on behalf of the group thanked Jonathan for his work over the previous several years for his work combining several roles and hoped that he will continue to contribute to the work of the group.

Campaigns report (Nick)

Nick reported on the following:

- It was suggested that we invite local candidates for the 3 May London Assembly elections to our meetings. Nick has emailed Hounslow and Kingston groups since we are all in the same constituency.

The format of the meetings is to be decided.

ACTION: NICK

- London Cycling Campaign is aiming to get 100,000 signatures for our *Go Dutch* campaign during the Assembly election. This will require local groups such as ourselves to collect approximately 3000 each.
- There was some discussion regarding inviting Tony Arbor who is the sitting candidate to a meeting.
- It was suggested that we should organize a cycle ride highlighting dangerous features and specific cases of inadequate provision for cyclists in the Borough. There has been discussion with the Green Party regarding the London Road crossing and they appear willing to support such a ride. Inviting London Assembly candidates to join the ride is another option to be considered.

It was agreed that Nick will proceed with organizing the ride and report to the next meeting.

ACTION NICK

- Richmond Council and/or ward councilors have been approached regarding highway work where cyclists may be affected (Fulwell, Petersham, East Twickenham, Whitton). Details are given on our website: <http://www.richmondlcc.co.uk>

Rides Report (Paul)

- Additional help is needed during the Box Hill (Olympic course) ride on 8 January. Jonathan said that he will attend.
- There will be a ride to Chiswick.
- There may be a need for additional marshals for rides linked to Sky Rides, which may attract surges of participants.
- Paul said that it would be helpful if other members would undertake organizing rides. Jonathan R said that he will arrange a “music ride” around the borough during the summer which will involve visiting the places with historical associations with music. **ACTION JONATHAN R**
- Jonathan also suggested a ‘Downs link’ ride to be held in June.

Coordinator’s Report (Jonathan R)

- Jonathan R explained that the ‘members’ list’ actually contains three lists: a) LCC members who do not wish to receive communications from the local group and for whom we have no email addresses, b) LCC members who have supplied an email address, and c) non-members who have provided an email address and have indicated that they would like to be kept informed of our activities. The members in Group a) could be contacted if we arrange to get a Richmond sheet inserted into the LCC journal. This facility has to be paid for but it may be useful in mobilizing support for our campaigning.
- Material for publication in London Cyclist before the London Assembly elections will need to be submitted by mid-February.
- Sustrans will be raising a petition concerning NCN4 crossing Barnes Common.

Publicity

- Jonathan R to report on publicity at the next meeting. **ACTION JONATHAN R**

Finance

- The Chair said that he will contact the Treasurer to obtain a financial report for the past year. **ACTION: JOHN**
- There is believed to be approximately £3000 in the account, including £1200 for Turning Hub.