

Minutes of ICAG meeting on Wed 10th August 2011 at 7.30-9.30pm at the Town Hall, Upper Street, N1.

Present:

Stephen Taylor, Alison Dines, Chris Ashby, John Ackers, Keith Macfarlane, James Gleadow, Jacques-Olivier Gaudron, Olaf Storbeck, Jon Parker, Paul Standeven, Adrian Williams

Apologies:

Bridget Peacock, Chris Gibbons, Robert Harston

Matters arising

Canal:

The proposed ride of the Danbury Street canal bypass had not been arranged.

Cycle Systems Ltd:

The manager has invited ICAG members to visit their premises in Eagle Wharf Road and discuss how they might be able to assist with any of our campaigns. Alison to ask for possible dates.

Bike buddying:

Keith and Jacques-Olivier to put Stephen's contact details on ICAG website.

Cycle parking at Highbury Corner:

John and Alison to meet Cllr Stacey and a council officer at 11am on Friday 12th August.

Moor Lane:

John had e-mailed Eric Manners at Islington Council who felt it was very unlikely that the City would include this Islington street in their enhancement scheme. John had forwarded the e-mails to Leo.

Holloway Road cycle parking:

Stephen to arrange a date for those interested (Chris, Keith and possibly John) to review what cycle parking had been put in by TfL, compared to what ICAG had requested. John thought Upper Street needed more cycle parking and a similar survey should be done there.

Newsletter insert in LC magazine:

Keith said that it had not been confirmed that newsletter would no longer be inserted in the LC magazine.

Removal of guard rail near King's Cross ex-Thameslink station John had e-mailed TfL about this asking for more cycle parking to be installed and had been told they were addressing it.

Agenda:

ICAG campaigns:

Stephen had put a poll on the ICAG website and will e-mail ICAG e-group to ask people to vote on campaigning priorities. Stephen and John have been discussing the 20mph campaign with Caroline Russell, chair of Living Streets, with the aim of presenting a petition to the full council meeting in early October and possibly using the Stop the Roamer website for an on-line petition. Caroline has since started a Green Party campaign for 2 specific streets to be made 20mph but as ICAG is non-political there was concern that this might cause difficulties. John and Stephen will discuss with Caroline the wording of the petition and paper copies will be on the ICAG stalls in September. Jacques-Olivier will investigate hosting the on-line petition. John will arrange a meeting with Paul Convery, the council's Executive Member for Planning, Regeneration and Transport, to discuss 20mph.

Veloteers:

Stephen had been going through a recent planning document pulling out cycle related schemes in each ward which will be put on the website. This will be particularly useful for the veloteers and the meeting thanked him for his work. He will arrange a meeting of the veloteers subcommittee.

LCC awards:

Stephen suggested the veloteers scheme was submitted and Chris suggested Madras Place. Documents to be downloaded from LCC website and submitted by Monday 10th October.

ICAG tributes following cycling fatalities:

Prior to the meeting a tribute had taken place on Holloway Road where the cyclist Sam Harding had been killed. Planned by Chris it had been attended by about 70 people, mostly Sam's family and friends, who had heard about it via ICAG's Twitter and Facebook. Despite concern from James that such events could generate adverse publicity, most people present felt a cyclist's death should be commemorated in some way and Chris was thanked for arranging it.

Journalists from both local papers were there and safe cycling and safe driving issues had been emphasised to them.

Future events:

Skyride 4th Sept: Jacques-Olivier said it was too complicated for the group from Edmonton to join up with the ICAG ride. He agreed to lead the ICAG ride starting at 10am and returning at about 4pm. Keith, Paul, John A and possibly Stephen and Jon P

would help marshal. Adrian could help with a later ride. Alison to e-mail LCC and ask them to liaise with Jacques-Olivier about the ride details. Angel Canal Festival 4th Sept: Alison and Chris to set up and do the stall. John A to help later.

Gillespie Park Festival 11th Sept:

Alison and Keith to do stall, John A to help with a shift. Stephen and Paul to do the Dr Bike.

Piece for LC magazine:

To be discussed nearer the deadline on 27th August but possibly to include Madras Place, 20mph and the festivals.

AOB:

Chris said a photo shot date was set for Tues 16th August to welcome the fact that work had actually started at the site.

Paul said that the Barnsbury bike shop Micycle had been looted on Monday evening during the rioting and 6 bikes had been stolen. He will contact the shop and suggest putting details of the stolen bikes on the ICAG e-group.

Date of next meeting: Wed 14th September 7.30-9.30pm at the Town Hall, Upper Street N1.