

Pedals Minutes 20 March 2017

Presences and Apologies

Present:

- Paul Abel
- Michael Boater
- David Easley
- David Lally
- Iain Lane
- Thomas Madar (Minutes, All)
- Andrew Martin (Chair, AGM)

- Hugh McClintock(Chair, M)
- David Rhead
- Arthur Williams
- Roy Wilson
- Susan Young

Apologies:

- Jack Chisholm
- Chris Green
- Dave Miller
- Mara Ozolins
- Joanna Ward

Minutes for the Pedals Annual General Meeting

Start Time

The AGM started at 7:30pm, with Andrew chairing the meeting and Thomas taking the minutes.

A2. Minutes of Last Year's AGM

The AGM 2016 Minutes were unanimously approved as a true record of the meeting

Chairman's Report

There was no report

A3. Annual Report and Discussion

A number of members commented that Pedals had no projects being carried out, partly due to a lack of energy and enthusiasm within the group and the amount of time and effort devoted to responding to various consultations rather than being proactive. It was suggested that Andrew should contact NCVS (Nottingham Council for Voluntary Service) and pick their brains for ideas on how to get more people involved.

Iain suggested a focus on utility cycling with the aim of targeting people who are discouraged from cycling

David Easley and Susan commented that people found it difficult to commit to Pedals, especially when a commitment to major projects was required.

Susan suggested a look at small scale projects, or on consolidating on what we have achieved.

Iain and Susan agreed that a role holder should be dedicated to promoting Pedals to the Nottingham public.

A4. Treasurer's Report

This nine page report on the state of Pedals's finances was circulated by David Easley. Summary and detailed income and expenditure information may be found within this report and will not be repeated in these minutes.

Despite an increase in the membership roll of seven percent, Pedal's bank balance shrank by eight percent.

Nearly all of Pedals's income came from membership subscriptions, while by far the greatest item of expenditure was the creation, publication and distribution of the newsletter. However, this amount had now started to come down quite significantly in view of our decision last year to reduce drastically both the number of pages in each issues and the number of recipients of complementary copies. We have also reduced postage costs by giving members options on whether or not to receive the newsletter electronically.

Pedals's total bank balance stands at just under six and a half thousand pounds.

David, having served as treasurer for the past five years, did indicate his willingness to resign.

Andrew proposed a vote of thanks for David Easley in performing in his role as Pedals's Treasurer.

A5. Election of Officers

David Easley stated his intention to step down his role from that of Treasurer but said that he was willing to take over as Membership Secretary, following Arthur's decision to resign from that role.

Susan expressed an interest in becoming more involved with Pedals

The results of the Pedals elections were as follows:-

<u>Role</u>	<u>Office Holder</u>	<u>Proposed</u>	<u>Seconded</u>
Treasurer	Iain Lane	Andrew Martin	Susan Young
Membership Secretary	David Easley	Susan Young	David Lally
Secretary	Andrew Martin	David Lally	David Easley
Newsletter Editor	Hugh McClintock	Paul Abel	Arthur Williams

Andrew, Hugh and Susan agreed to act as media contacts, given that no one felt able or had time to commit to stand as Press and Publicity Officer.

A6. Membership Secretary's Report

This brief report was circulated by Arthur Williams, and indicates a slight increase in membership from 154 to 160. It gives a detailed breakdown of the means by which Pedals members pay their membership subscriptions (just under two thirds of members pay their subscriptions by means of standing order to the CO-OP bank).

There is a drive

- a) To get as many members as possible to pay their membership subscriptions by means of standing order to the CO-OP bank
- b) To have everyone receive their newsletter by means of e-mail, so as to save on paper and postage costs.

Andrew proposed a vote of thanks for Arthur in performing in his role as Pedals's membership secretary.

A7. Other Pedals Roles

Hugh stated that Pedals was short of people to monitor planning applications. David Lally agreed to monitor planning applications for Pedals.

A8. New Pedals Logo

Hugh expressed a wish to keep the existing logo and this was generally agreed.

A8. Actions and Any Other Business

Paul Abel remarked that the minutes of a meeting should just be a list of actions, together with the details of who decided on these actions and those responsible for carrying them out. There was a detailed discussion, but this motion was eventually carried.

There was an action for Hugh to contact a Kevin Tedds of Stapleford re his wish to continue as Pedals representative on the Stapleford Local Traffic and Transport Group, particularly now that Roy Wilson had moved to Stapleford and indicated his willingness to attend these meetings.

There was an action raised by Hugh in that the contact details on the Pedals website should be updated.

End Time

The meeting ended at 8:40pm

Minutes for the Pedals March Monthly Meeting

The meeting started at 8:50pm with Hugh chairing the meeting and Thomas taking the minutes

B1. Minutes of the February Monthly Meeting

The minutes were accepted as a true and accurate record of this meeting, and from this, the following actions were raised and points discussed:-

A-Frame Barriers

Action on David Easley to publish the Pedals policy on A, K and other types of barriers on the Pedals website. Susan Young was thanked for her work in drafting this.

Action on Hugh to chase Nottingham City Council on their use of A-frame barriers on various off road paths and the need to remove these as being incompatible with the aim of promoting inclusive cycling.

Wilford Lane tram-side path crossing hazards

Action on Hugh to address this. A site meeting had been fixed for 25 April to discuss this with both Paul Hillier from the County Council and Keith Morgan from the City Council. Hugh and Julian Bentley would attend. Hugh also said that it had not been possible to fix a date for discussion of other tram-related issues with Steve Tough, and involving himself, Peter Briggs, Anne Sladen and Ian Hutchinson from Ridewise.

Lobbying candidates on forthcoming County Council Elections

Action on Hugh to prepare a list of bullet points which give the reasons as to why spending on cycling infrastructure is important. This will be used by members in Rushcliffe, Broxtowe and Gedling to lobby candidates hoping to be elected at the forthcoming County Council Elections

Action on Iain. This will be to obtain a list of these candidates. There will be a record kept of all contacts, and all feedback from lobbied candidates will be recorded on the Pedals website.

E-mails will be sent to members on bullet point ideas, and David Lally will contact the CTC and appropriate media

Trent Lane to the Hook Cycle Bridge

There will be a meeting with Gwyneth McMinn of Sustrans on 29 March discuss revised costings for this bridge, as well as feedback from the City and County Councils on the revised draft of the Sustrans economic impact report.

Proposed Development of Local Cyclists' Tube Map

This was not regarded as urgent, given the continuing delay by the DfT in publishing their Cycling and Walking Investment Strategy including its expected proposals for new style Local Walking and Cycling Infrastructure plans (LCWIFs). Existing practice, e.g. from the Derby Cycling Group will be studied.

Cycle Hub Signing at Nottingham Station/Improvement for Cyclists at Other Stations

Action on Hugh to raise these issues at the next Cycling Development Group meeting

B2. Report on Recent Meetings and Events by People Who Have Represented Pedals

There were no actions on this

B3. Forthcoming Events and Meetings

Next Pedals Meeting

Arrangements for the next Pedals meeting on April 24 were discussed. Susan Young will chair and Iain Lane will take the minutes. This meeting will feature a discussion with Russell from Russell's Bike Shed at Nottingham Station

Russell's Bicycle Show

Susan expressed her availability for this event on Monday 3rd April

Space for Cycling Ride

Iain discussed the Space for Cycling Ride which is planned to take place on Saturday 22 April. David Lally spoke about organising a meeting with food at or near the County Hall at the end of the ride. There was some discussion on this event and how it would be publicised.

B4. Cycle Facility and Traffic Management

Castle Boulevard-Ropewalk-Canning Circus

Action on Hugh to continue to gather user feedback on this new scheme and pass it on to the City Council, bearing in mind the delay in finalising some of the signs and markings, including those on Postern Street and the connecting Friar Lane route.

B5. Miscellaneous Items

Nottingham Cycle Hire Scheme

Action on Hugh to make comments on this to Antonia of Bikeplus, as she had requested.

B6. Any Other Business

There was none.

The meeting finished at 9:50pm