

Minutes of the Pedals Meeting held at 7.30pm in the Vat & Fiddle Public House, Queens Bridge Road, Nottingham on Monday 19th June 2017

Present

- Iain Lane
- Hilary Backhouse
- Roland Backhouse
- David Easley
- Jack Chisholm
- David Lally
- Paul Abel (chairing)
- Hugh McClintock
- Mark Reynolds

Apologies

- Mara Ozolins
 - Andrew Martin
 - Arthur Williams
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The minutes of the previous meeting (Monday 15th May 2017) were agreed.

Review of actions

North Sherwood Street / Forest Road East junction (Iain) – *Post on social media to solicit opinion.*
Done. – **Action: Suggest a yellow box at dropped kerb so that motors keep clear of it: Hugh.**

Forest Road (Hugh) – *Find out why we weren't consulted.* The Northern Corridor is delayed because of concerns about knock-on congestion. The city council wanted to delay action until next year but have to show work is started for that to be approved, so they implemented this as a token scheme.

Queensbridge Road (Hugh) – *A new taxi rank that compromises the cycle lane.* There was demand for new taxi provision on Queens Road. Scheme was done without consultation with interest groups.

Communications with new members (David E) - *Re-draft the new member welcome letter/email to encourage new members to let us know if they want to be on the activists list, or if there are any*

geographical areas they are particularly interested in or if they have any other special interests.
Done.

Queens Road (Susan) – *Post a picture on Facebook about narrowing of road.* Done.

Green Festival (Paul A) – *Booked 3x3 pitch – not paid yet.*

NCVS (Andrew M) – *Regarding diversity amongst Pedals activists. Deferred as Andrew wasn't at this meeting.*

Carlton Reid donation (Iain) – *Donate £28 to Kickstarter campaign "Let's rescue Britain's forgotten 1930s protected cycleways".* Done.

Survey Questionnaire for danger hotspots (Paul A) – *Send out a survey to find out what local cyclists consider to be dangerous locations; contact Times about their previous "Cities fit for cycling" campaign.* Times journalist didn't respond; questionnaire proceeded without their input & was circulated. Also contacted Cycling UK but without reply. Published in West Bridgford Wire (49 responses) + circulated to Pedals members / Nottingham Post (approx 100 responses in total including the WBW). **Action: analyse results: Paul A.**

Main Business

Demand Cancelling Devices (Julian B) – *Request for policy / campaign against these devices which are considered detrimental to non-motorised users as a small retreat from the kerbside can cause the cancellation of a signal.* **Action: David L to write an article about what they are and how to report when they are misconfigured.**

Nottm Station Nub & Queens Road crossing – *Concern that the Southern Relief Route will make this road more dangerous for cycling and walking, especially now that there is a cycle hub here so this is a destination.* **Action: Find a contact for EMT franchise renewal to lobby to get this included in the new franchise agreement: Hugh.**

Action: Jack C to get minutes of Notts County Council Policy and Communities & Place meetings to find out about local transport schemes.

New portfolio holders for transport at the city council. *Request to meet with them to discuss local issues and press our concerns.* **Action: Try to invite Sally Longford & Jon Collins in July – if not, then try to arrange a special meeting: Hugh.**

Message regarding problems with abusive motorists on A6005 between Chilwell and Long Eaton - **Action: Re-read the messages to find out if there's anything for Pedals to action, but if not then the correspondent is to be encouraged to contact the county council / police directly: David L.**

Cycling in Wildlife Trust nature reserves. Wildlife Trusts are putting up signs restricting cycling. **Action: Contact Roger Geffen at Cycling UK to find out what the national picture is, and further steps for lobbying: Paul A.**

Tutorial session

The meeting concluded with a tutorial led by David Easley showing members how to edit and publish content on the Pedals website, in an effort to get more people involved in this work.