

CYCLE FORUM

Meeting held on Tuesday, 19th January 2015

MEMBERS (Attended) (Apologies)

Peter Price(PP)	-	Councillor
Sarah Jane Smalley	-	Councillor
Richard Shaw (RW)		Councillor
TBC		Councillor champion
Dick Skelton(DS)	-	Transport Planning
Paul Sullivan(PS)	-	Transport Planning
Dick Proctor(DP)	-	Transport Planning
Nat Porter(NP)	-	Transport Planning
Rob Wormald	-	Sheff Rec CC
Peter Marsh	-	University Sheffield
Andrew Richards(AR)	-	Cycle Sheffield
Matt Turner(MT)	-	Cycle Sheffield
Graham Allsopp		Cycle Sheffield
Barry Dobson		Cycle Sheffield
Chris Rust		Cycle Sheffield
Simon Geller(SG)		CTC
Paul Walton (PW)		CTC
Angela Walker(AW)		Recycle Bikes
John Charlesworth(JC)		SY Police
Ken Woodhouse		Pedal Ready
Peter Hayward		Friends of Dronfield

GUESTS

OBSERVERS

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1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Please see those greyed out (above).

In the absence of the Cllr Peter Price, the Forum members present unanimously agreed that Dick Proctor should be Chair of the meeting.

2. MINUTES OF LAST MEETING

Agreed as correct but the item on the Sheffield Retail Quarter needs adding to the action summary. There was no update for this matter.

Query was raised on how the Police would enforce private space within the SRQ.

John Charlesworth replied that it would be treated the same as any private space within the city centre (Peace Gardens, Millennium Sq for example)

Action

Dick Proctor to investigate next milestone

Matters Arising

The first matter discussed was the low level of attendance at the last two forums and the lack of representation from both the labour administration and cycle champions. This was more concerning than the low numbers as it was appreciated attendance does vary throughout the year and has varied considerably over the 15 years the forum has been running.

Points raised were

- Should the Cycle Champion chair the forum?
- Does the forum need reinvigorating
- Have other groups/forum/meetings taken something away from this particular meeting
- The agenda items can inspire/influence attendance levels, do these need to be investigated
- Does the group need to be combined with the strategy group
- Is not the forum in place to discuss the detail not strategy
- Is an issue the length of time it takes to resolve issues raised at the forum

Action

Dick Proctor to take back to officer Champion to discuss further

3. ITEMS DISCUSSED/CYCLE SHEFFIELD MATTERS

Road works and Cycling

Road works and Cycling to become a standing item.

Concern was raised about the diversion route for the section of the Five Weirs Walk that is currently closed for Flood Defence work. The diversion is not signed and the most appropriate is along a busy Weeton Street. It was felt the road is wide enough to mark out a temporary 2 way cycle lane on one side of the carriageway

Action

Paul Sullivan to investigate with the project manager

Cycle Schemes Sub Group

Has not met for a while. Schemes appear to be progressing that are not cycle friendly.

Action

Dick Proctor and Barry Dobson to discuss outside of meeting

STEP funding

Nothing seems to be progressing and there are only 3 months left in the financial year

Tram Accident Report

Can a draft be circulated for comment?

Action

Dick Proctor to investigate current status of the report

Beeley Wood Road

The forum would like it registered there has been no change with the current arrangement and it was disappointing it was taking so long to achieve a resolution

Cycle Theft in the city centre update

John Charlesworth explained the university were using 2 stinger bikes to catch thieves. The bikes were expensive but effective. He felt most bike theft occurred around the university campus.

A discussion ensued around other hotspots, and whether Cycle Sheffield could help to fund a couple of stinger bikes. Whether students could be engaged to establish hotspots

Action

Paul Sullivan to ask the UoS about costs for purchase and running the stinger scheme

4. CYCLE STRATEGY GROUP

No update, minutes of the December meeting to be circulated with these notes

5. CYCLE PARKING AT TRAM STOPS

Cycle Sheffield have replied directly to SYPTE

6. AOB

Nothing raised

Date of Next Meeting: Tuesday 15th March 2016, 1630-1800, Town Hall