

Minutes of the Committee Meeting of the Shotley Peninsula Cycling Campaign

Held at Broadacres, Chelmondiston, on Monday 29th April 2019, at 6.30pm

Present: Cathy Crouch, Mike Crouch, Tony Gould, Mike Havard, Rosie Kirkup (Chair), Jez Meredith, Sally Williams.

1. Apologies:

Karla Powell, Denise Tinker, Sean Tinker.

2. Community Path:

a) Ipswich to Freston section:

Rosie Kirkup and Mike Havard have been to see Barry Potts at Hill Cottage, Freston regarding the narrow footway outside his property. He had rather more reservations about taking a narrow strip of his garden to widen the footway than he expressed on the previous occasion when he was approached.

RK suggested to the meeting that Paul Horne of SCC Highways should be consulted. Cathy Crouch asked whether a “cyclists dismount” sign for this narrow section might be a solution. RK and Tony Gould will go to speak to Paul Pratt, the owner of Holly Cottage (opposite the pub), about using the verge in front of his property. RK will also ask Freston Parish Council to ask Mr Pratt to cut back his Holly hedge where it is encroaching on the footway.

b) Freston to Chelmondiston section:

TG told the meeting that there is a new planning application for 24 houses in Woolverstone. However, the proposal includes a cycle path, with the sweetener of other cycle paths to Chelmondiston and Holbrook.

This proposal is believed to have been started by Babergh’s consultation draft for the revised Local Plan, which identified some possible development sites in Woolverstone.

The question was asked if SPCC should reopen discussions with Woolverstone Parish Council; no immediate decision was reached.

c) Chelmondiston to Shotley section:

Nothing to report.

3. Southern Route

RK had a successful meeting with Philip Broadbent-Yale to discuss the Southern route. He will attempt to get someone to look at the crossing of the A14 slip roads at Wherstead.

RK queried whether there might be anything from our previous traffic survey, undertaken in August and September 2011. CC commented that it seemed unlikely that anything could be extrapolated from the survey done on the Strand.

CC then offered to contact the Co-op HQ at Wherstead, to see if they have any data regarding their staff cycling to work.

Cutlers Wood: CC has been told by Oliver Paul that the owner of Cutlers Wood is Andrew Paul of Bond Hall Farm. She will write to him about the muddy hollows on the bridleway.

4. Ganges update

The Developers are believed to have fulfilled all the pre-starting conditions for the Ganges site, but work is yet to start.

5. Lost paths:

CC made contact with Elizabeth Barrett of the Camino Riders regarding the search for paths that have not been correctly classified on the definitive map, and has had a useful session with her at the County Records Office. CC will keep the Committee informed of any developments.

TG commented that David Newton knew the whereabouts of other old parish records that could be useful to look at. CC will contact him.

6. Future events:

SPCC will have committee members present at the Alton Water Triathlon on 14th July , for publicity purposes.

TG agreed to do an updated leaflet in readiness for this event. Once this is ready, a new banner will be ordered.

Denise Tinker will be asked to find out how long the event is likely to last, and therefore how many SPCC volunteers will be needed for the event; MC and CC had to make their apologies as they will be unavailable.

Sean Tinker will be asked if he could be present to give advice about bike maintenance.

7. AGM:

This will take place on Tuesday 25th June 2019, at 7.15pm.

RK will book the Church room.

This will be preceded by a short Committee meeting starting at 6.30pm.

8. Publicity and Communications:

a) **Website:** up to date.

b) **Newsletter:** CC agreed to draft a brief newsletter publicising the Triathlon and the AGM.

c) **In Touch magazine:** Nothing to report.

d) **Leaflet:** see above under future events.

e) **Shaun`s Shorts:** DT will be asked to publicise the AGM here.

9. Treasurers report:

Sally Williams reported a balance of £3741.22 in the account.

10. Membership:

One new couple have joined; membership has therefore risen from 137 to 139.

11. Minutes of the previous meeting (6.3.19):

These were signed as a true record.

12. Matters arising:

None.

The meeting closed at 7.35pm.

Date of next meeting: 6.30pm on Tuesday 25th June 2019, at the Church Room, Chelmondiston. To be followed at 7.15 by the AGM.