

Minutes of the Committee Meeting of the Shotley Peninsula Cycling Campaign

Held at Hill Cottage, Harkstead, at 10.30am, on Monday 14th March 2016

Present: Mike Crouch, Cathy Crouch, Tony Gould, Jane Goyder, Mike Havard, Rosie Kirkup, Sally Williams

1. Apologies:

Giles Goyder, Karla Powell.

2. Community Path

a) Ipswich to Freston section: we are still waiting for a response from Oyster Properties regarding the proposed route which would pass along the edge of land in its ownership. MC suggested that he writes to Oyster properties again, asking if we can assume that they are happy with our proposals and won't raise objections when the planning application is submitted.

The Pauls want us to look again at the actual crossing point the route would take from the river side of the B1456 to go up the concrete access road to Suffolk Food Hall.

b) Shotley section: no change to report, as the Ganges development is now on hold due to Woolverstone Parish Council applying for a judicial review.

TG recently received an email from the Shotley Parish Clerk regarding a meeting that had been held with County Highways regarding the lack of footway in front of Little Oaks at the northern end of Shotley Gate.

3. Ganges Planning application:

See above.

4. Report from sub-committee:

On Wednesday 9th March, TG and MC attended a meeting of Woolverstone Parish Council to talk about the path, and to explain that the SPCC does not have a solution to getting through Woolverstone off-road, and would be grateful for their suggestions. This was well received by the councillors, who listened intently, and had some suggestions of their own. "Phil's path" may not be totally ruled out after all. Failing that, Philip Mayhew could be asked to approach Mr Stennet regarding the use of the public footpath adjacent to the B1456.

The subcommittee itself had not met formally, but TG had met with Jez Meredith to keep him up to date with progress on the Woolverstone section.

5. Publicity and Communications:

a) Website: TG had paid £13.67 to renew our domain name. SW will transfer this amount to TG from the SPCC account.

b) Newsletter: The last edition was just before Christmas. However, as there is very little to report, the next one will be sent out shortly before the AGM in the summer.

c) In Touch magazine: RK got a good article with photograph in the January edition.

6. Treasurer's report:

SW reported a balance of £3853.12 in the account on 1.3.16.

7. Membership update:

JG reported that membership stands at 167 (80 households), plus the 8 local organisations. One new 5-year membership had just been taken out.

8. Minutes of the last meeting and matters arising:

Item 2a from the last minutes: Alison Looser has been contacted and verbally expressed an interest in doing the wildlife assessment for the Ipswich to Freston part of the route.

All other matters arising had been dealt with as above.

The minutes of the last meeting were approved by the committee as a true record of the meeting and signed by the chairman.

9. AOB:

None.

Date of next meeting: Monday 9th May 2016, at 3.30pm, Hill Cottage, Harkstead.