**Minutes of the Committee Meeting of the Shotley Peninsula Cycling Campaign**

**Zoom Meeting held on Thursday 27 January 2022, at 6.30pm**

**Present:** Cathy Crouch (Chair), Mike Crouch, Mike Havard, Jezz Meredith, Rosie Kirkup, Sally Williams.

**1. Apologies:**

Since our last meeting Alex Gray, Karla Powell and Denise Tinker have all stood down from the Committee.

**2. Community Path:**

CC advised that on the 31st January a ‘Teams’ meeting had been set up with the Babergh DC CIL team, to discuss possible funding for our Freston Hill Cycle Path. ln the meantime RK reminded the meeting that Chelmondiston PC were continuing to ring-fence £10k of their CIL funding for the Community Path in that parish. Since the last meeting MH had, as requested, tried to contact the Sustrans regional manager, on two occasions, but had received no response to date.

**3. Southern Route:**

CC has contacted County Councillor Hudson about helping to have the surface of the bridleway through Cutlers Wood repaired and is awaiting a reply.

**4. Planning Applications:**

MC had submitted comments to Babergh Planning on the most recent application for industrial development adjacent to the A14 interchange (DC/21/06427). We also discussed the new Highway Code (operative from 29/1/22) which should help make cycling safer and also be helpful when commenting on future planning applications.

***Action: MC*** *to circulate a list of the main changes to the Highway Code.*

**5. Lost Paths:**

CC advised that the British Horse Society had recently appointed a new regional officer who had already made contact with CC and offered to walk the route of the potential lost path the SPCC has been pursuing on the Peninsula.

**6. Publicity/Communications:**

1. **Website:** Despite his recent resignation from the Committee Alex Gray had kindly agreed to continue as our webmaster.
2. **Newsletter:** We agreed that the next one should be released in early March.
3. **In Touch Magazine:** As for b) immediately above.
4. **Shaun’s Shorts:** It was suggested that we could ask Denise Tinker to place important items on this blog in future.

***Action: JM*** *to prepare next newsletter and in advance of this* ***MC*** *to provide him with a resume of the SPCC comments mentioned in 4 above and the main changes to the new Highway Code.*

**7. Treasurers Report:**

SW reported that the SPCC still had approximately £3100 in its bank account.

**8. Membership Report:**

RK reported that we now had 204 members (including children). In the meantime it was agreed that we should try to recruit to the Committee following the three recent resignations listed in 1 above.

***Action: CC*** *to approach the two people in Holbrook who we understand might be willing to join the Committee.*

**9. Minute of the last meeting (02.11.21) and Matters Arising:**

The minutes of our last meeting were agreed and signed by the Chair. Any matters arising had already been dealt with.

**10. AOB:**

MC reported that he had studied the County Council’s Local Cycling & Walking Improvement Plan (LCWIP) and had discovered that all sections of the SPCC’s Community Path were listed in the associated list of potential schemes (although there were well over one hundred of these). This list of schemes is under continual review. Also included were potential cycle paths from the B1456 through Holbrook to the Cattawade in Brantham.In view of this It was agreed that we should try to make contact with the SCC LCWIP Project Officer via a Zoom meeting or similar.

***Action: MC*** *to make contact with SCC Project Officer and include RK in any meeting.*

**11. Date of Next Meeting:**

Thursday 17th March at 6.30pm via a Zoom meeting.

***Action: RK*** *to set up the Zoom meeting.*

**Meeting closed at 7.10pm.**