



## **Hackney Cycling Monthly Meeting 5 December 2018**

Attendees: Jono Kenyon (Coordinator), Dave Harris (Treasurer), Natalie Gould (Secretary), Paul Standeven, Richard Lufkin, Brian Jones (Committee Member), Matt Saywell (Multimedia), Brenda Puech (Deputy Secretary), Harry Fletcher-Wood (Consultation Coordinator), Rachel Aldred (Research and Insight), Ruth-Anna MacQueen (Community Outreach), Charlie Lloyd, Garmon Ap-Garth (Committee Member).

### **1. Minutes and Matters Arising**

Happy New Year to everyone.

### **2. School Streets**

Three schools are being proposed for new School Streets and two of them, Southwold and Seebright Schools, have been mentioned on Twitter by councillors.

RAM said that people are asking her how they go about putting forward their child's school for the scheme. Parents need to know who to speak to at the council.

JK said that Hackney Council are going to produce an information pack, but this is intended to be for council officers.

RL said that schools and parents would need to contact Cllr Clark (Demirci), Cllr Bramble and their local councillors. It is likely to be more effective if people actually go and see their local councillors rather than contact them by email alone.

JK said that the group should have a page on our website – for example, "School Streets - Your Five-Step Guide" where we set out the procedure and perhaps have a link to our short promotional film.

RAM said that the new schemes feel like they are coming from the ground up. JK wants to include the schemes in the group's map of the borough but this is not yet embedded on our website.

### **3. Burns Night 2019**

DH said that we have banked £1300 but apologises for his absence on the night. BP said that we have not got enough volunteers.

BJ has got 5 prizes for the raffle so far and DH has got a prize to donate.



BP said that the new MC, Bruce, has agreed arrangements and that she is going to work out the details with him regarding the toast and formalities for the evening. Bruce will be distinguished by wearing a tweed suit.

BP says that she needs plastic containers for left-over food. She finds that the post-dinner entertainment goes on too long and people should be limited to one verse each- accordingly she has told the MC. Similar to last year's event, there will be no toast to laddies and lassies but a universal toast instead.

JK suggested that Mayor Glanville should be asked to do the toast.

RAM suggested that we ask the band to play the fiddle during the parade of the haggis.

#### **4. Winter Cycling Campaign**

The Hackney Winter Cycling campaign is a joint project with Carry Me Bikes and Hackney Council. The Council have obtained a number of sets of cycle lights, which we can give to those without lights. Everybody took some sets of lights to give away. JK and MS agreed to meet on 15 January at Green Lanes near to the Clissold Park Tavern, to hand out lights. RAM, NG and RL agreed to meet on 16 January 2019 at Powerscroft Road, next to the crossing into Millfields Park to do the same.

On 25 January the council are running a Dr Bike workshop, and handing out lights. CL said that he would get the LCC iPad so that we could attend and get people to sign up for LCC membership. JK suggested that we get the LCC cargo bike out. CL can do 4-6pm.

#### **5. Finance**

DH says that we have got the iZettle reader and mooted the idea that we take membership fees.

JK wants to offer a discount for new members who sign up for LCC with HCC. However BP pointed out that LCC currently have 25% discount for those who sign up via direct debit, so there is no need for extra discount at this stage. DH said we would need to budget for this.

DH said that he needs to raise an invoice for 50% of the fees for the garage addressed to Carry Me Bikes.

JK said that, on an unrelated matter, each borough group has been assigned an LCC Trustee and Hackney's is Chris Kenyon.

#### **6. Current Consultations.**

##### *Belz Terrace consultation*

This is a small scheme which makes Overlea Road one-way. The road is currently very busy at certain times of the day. We considered asking for a filter, but



appreciated that it would be difficult for vehicles to be turned around. Instead we shall ask for a cycle exemption so that it remains two-way for cycles.

## **7. Any Other Business**

Website - We have a map and it was suggested that we put on the local bike shops.

Paul Standeven said that the Spanner in the Workshop is still stuck for space to store their tool chest. RAM suggested that PS contact Wheelie Tots since they might be able to provide space.

Hackney Bike Kitchen going to have to leave their premises in the near future. JK said that we had suggested that Jenni contacts Cllr Clark who may be able to assist

Next meeting will be on Wednesday 6 February 2019 in Pembury Community Centre.