

Aberdeen Cycle Forum

Minutes of Meeting

**Townhouse, Tuesday 31 July 2012,
19:30hours**

Present:

David Cheseldine (DC), Liz Lindsey (LL), Jyll Skinner (JS), Tom Skinner (TS), Derek Williams (DW)

1. Minutes of the previous meeting and matters arising

ACF Popups – Continue follow up to replacing one as needed.

Action: Gavin Clark

ACF Flyers – DC to pass flyer to JS for web posting. **Action: DC and JS**

Cycle Safety Event – Will contact organiser after summer break. **Action: DW**

2. CWSS 2012/2013

There is a long list from previous years of items that have been put forward, but not accomplished. Will send said list to Graham McKenzie to ask for status on those items.

It was discussed whether or not to email asking for new items given this list of ongoing items. An email will be send telling members about the old list and asking if anything should be added going forward. This is also to assure members that previous requests were not ignored by ACF. **Action: DW & JS**

3. Countesswells and other developments

Both LL and JS received a reply regarding communication with the Countesswells consortium. In order to keep the ACF separate, LL will meet with Alex Orr at a different meeting that JS and DW. Two other developments will need observation and

possible action: Berryhill Low Carbon Business Center in Bridge of Don and the Maidencraig Development on the Lang Stracht. DW will stay in touch with the Berryhill developer and DC will do same for Maidencraig. **Action: DC, LL, DW, & JS**

4. Meetings with councillors

Gavin Clark, LL, DW, and JS met with Barney Crockett on 12 July. Mr. Crockett seemed genuinely interested in many of the points of the manifesto as well as several separate points brought forward in the meeting. He acted on created a cycling champion quickly and will be updating us on progress on other points in a fortnight.

Mr. Crockett requested that Ross Thompson be the cycling champion. Mr. Thomson is a Tory member of the coalition and sits on several committees. He was also very enthusiastic, particularly about cycle training in schools. He mentioned that cycling may be included in the vision statement for the city that the coalition is putting together. Mr. Thompson will also, short term, look into the Marischal College short stay cycle stands. JS will be in touch regarding a cycling tour of the cycle infrastructure with Mr. Thompson.

Action: DW & JS

5. Cycling Corridors

Following the meeting with Barney Crockett, ACF will put forward several routes for cycling corridors. An overview of the city centre to Westhill was presented in a rough form and pending approval, other overviews for other routes will be produced.

Action: JS

6. Bollards and Pavement Parking

Gavin Clark requested that the Forum discuss the presence of bollards lining the sides of roads, for example Albyn Place. The bollards present a hazard if a cyclist were to fall off and strike one of them. However, the bollards do prevent pavement parking which is a hazard to both pedestrians and cyclists. ACF decided to hold off on any action at present on the issue. DW will make enquiries of disability reps on the Outdoor Access Forums.

Action: DW

7. Any Other Business

Sign at Rail cycle parking – There is finally a sign indicating overflow cycle parking at the railway station. DC will follow up moving the parking to a more suitable spot. **Action: DC**

Cycle Nation membership – Membership at Cycle Nation is up for renewal. As most transport authority is devolved to Holyrood and Cycle Nation is primarily an English concern, ACF will end its membership. The Forum will seek a membership with Edinburgh's Spokes. **Action: DW**

7. Next Meeting – Tuesday, 28th August 2012