

Cycle Advisory and Liaison Group Meeting Minutes

Monday 18th July 2022

Attendees:	INITIALS	STATUS
Moor, Nigel;	NM	Chair
Bloxsom, Cllr John;	Cllr JB	Member
Gray, Cllr David;	Cllr DG	Member
Cody, Cllr Cate;	Cllr CC	Member
Willingham, Cllr David;	Cllr DW	Member
Ainslie, Imogen;	IA	Observer
Radford-Hancock, Stephen;	SRH	Observer
Haworth, Kathryn;	KH	Officer
Williams, Philip;	PW	Officer
Bullock, Alan;	AB	Officer
Shibli, Emma;	ES	Officer
Williams, Sarah;	SW	Officer
Atkins, Jo;	JA	Officer
Anne Johns	AJ	Officer

Apologies:

Senft-Hayward, Luisa	CC	Officer
Excell, Simon;	SE	Officer
Humm, Jason	JH	Officer

1.0 Minutes

Nigel Moor summarised the minutes. Cllr CC concerned that some items had not been brought to this agenda from last meeting including 'the Highway Code' and 'Dutch Reach'. SW to amend agenda for next meeting. The remaining meeting notes were agreed. The agenda items were outlined. Cllr JB asked if LUF bid will address Underpass at Dr Newton's Way.

ACTION: AB will provide more information to Cllr JB.

2.0 Cycling Forum and nominating representatives onto CAG

Broad representation agreed. SW will invite representatives previously identified, asking that they nominate and review attendees annually. Cllr DW asked if the C&TCC were included. SW affirmed that they were. This invitation has been drafted pending CAG's agreement.

3.0 Cheltenham Mini-Holland

Cllr DW queried the treatment of St Mark's/ Poets Corner of Study Area where its 'garden city' principles must not be undermined. PW confirmed they will be complimented.

NM asked for clarification on timescales.

PW advises that, especially at the NE and NW corners of the study area, east/ west cycle connectivity is very poor (Gallagher Retail Park, Runnings Road etc.)

Cllr CC identified a cycle route that parallels this – disjointed but could be improved

However, despite barriers West of Cheltenham is to receive investment which makes ambitious projects possible

CC wants strategic vision and the use of ‘Planning-for-Real’ to achieve collective community agreement.

Cllr DG welcomes the project and looks forward to results of feasibility study. He agrees this is the logical place to deliver a ‘Mini-Holland’. It will be controversial but can assume that funding for delivery will be made available by DfT because this project will align with their priorities.

Cllr CC would prefer to consider physical maps. CC agreed that this was to have been how this meeting was held, were it not for severe heat conditions.

Action: SW to provide presentation and consider the use of printed maps for relevant future discussions

4.0 Summary of current projects (and future agenda items)

CC pointed out that Highway Code has only just changed. He would not trust motorists to adhere to it. Cyclists have to be responsible for their personal safety too.

Action: AB committed to working with Cllr DW to take up his points

NM welcomed the ThinkTravel update as it provides quantitative data for future bids.

CC was concerned that the LCWIP routes are too strategic. SW clarified that people were invited to comment on the corridors they know. Cllr JB queried the relationship between LCWIP and other plans and processes. SW explained that they would inform bidding documents. All proposals will need to be in a LCWIP. Primary routes lead to town centres. Secondary routes link education/ employment etc.

Initiative/ Scheme	Update
Major Projects	
B4063 Gloucester to Cheltenham Cycle Scheme	Design - Design complete for section from M5 overbridge to Arle Court. - Detailed design completed between M5 overbridge to Elmbridge Court Roundabout through Churchdown. - Outline plans being reviewed for section from Elmbridge Court Roundabout into Gloucester, including Estcourt Road Roundabout. Consultation

	- Consultation for section from Elmbridge Court Roundabout to Arle Court completed March 2021. Feedback incorporated into detailed designs. Updated plans are on the website. - Next phase of consultation for Elmbridge Court Roundabout to Estcourt Road Roundabout planned to be undertaken in the Autumn. - Further consultation will be planned for Estcourt Road Roundabout once a preferred solution is identified. Construction - Works completed on site on the first phase between M5 overbridge to Pheasant Lane. - Pheasant Lane to Arle Court roundabout linking first section to the WCTIS scheme construction started and expected to be completed in the Autumn. - M5 Overbridge to Golf Course Access is currently out to tender and will be awarded in early August. - The tender period for the section between Elmbridge Ct Roundabout and Golf Course Access will start in August 2022.
Gloucester Cycle Spine	Full funding has been secured from the DfT Levelling Up Fund bid and a DfT Active Travel Fund bid. The scheme was developed to a pre-concept design as part of the bid and work has now been commissioned to develop the scheme to feasibility design stage. The scheme will extend the B4063 Gloucester to Cheltenham Cycle Scheme through the City Centre to Gloucester Docks.
Cheltenham to Bishops Cleeve Cycle Improvements	The scheme was developed to concept design as part of the Active Travel Tranche 3 bid and full funding now been secured from this bid. Work has now been commissioned to develop the scheme to the Feasibility /preliminary design stage. Some elements of the scheme have been delivered as part of the A435 Junction Improvements at Hyde Lane/Southam Lane junction. These improvement works are now complete.
Cheltenham Mini Hollands Scheme	Gloucestershire County Council has secured funding from the DfT to undertake a feasibility study for a Mini Hollands scheme in West Cheltenham providing modal filters to encourage cycling and access to the Honeybourne Cycle link. This work is currently out to tender.
West Cheltenham Walking and Cycling Improvements	The first phase of the £1.6 million investment in walking and cycling improvements are now complete between Arle Court and Lansdown Rail bridge. The next phase of works are currently underway on Hubble Road and Telstar Way to deliver a segregated footway/cycleway provision that links the A40 with Princess Elizabeth Way, Further enhancements are expected later this year on the quietways route, with this phase of works expected to start in Autumn 2022 and include Princess Elizabeth Way and the 'poet streets' area of St Marks.
A419 Highway Improvements	Scheme substantially completed, with further cycleway enhancements completed in November 2021 through remedial works at Downton Road Junction. A design has been finalised for further cycleway enhancements in which will be undertaken on site in Autumn 2022. The further amendments at Horsetrough Roundabout have been driven through stakeholder consultation with local cycling groups. The proposed amendments, which have been prepared in accordance with LTN 1/20, are currently proceeding through the required Road Safety Audit process. These proposals will reduce cyclist conflict points on the left hand arm of the roundabout between the A419 & A419 Bristol Road. The dedicated left hand vehicular lane is

	proposed to be converted into a cyclist only facility, providing on road cyclists with a dedicated and protected facility
Highway Improvement Projects	
• Upgrade to existing route at Longford • Upgrade to existing route in Quedgeley • Options assessment for a new section of cycle way on Up Hatherley Way, Cheltenham with consideration of full segregation	
Transport Planning	
LCWIP development update	Overarching Cycling Infrastructure Plan Sustrans were commissioned to look at in excess of 20 corridors countywide. Propose now to develop 10 of them to feasibility. The Overarching Cycle Infrastructure Plan will also help to develop a Gloucestershire interpretation of LTN 1/20 for rural areas. Stroud Corridor between Stroud and Gloucester is highlighted as an LCWIP study area, to be addressed as part of our countywide cycle infrastructure plan. Phase 1, identify alignment of this and other inter-urban corridors. We will do this following the DfT guidance on LCWIP development, including consultation. Concern that the route along the canal is more multi-use leisure route than a cycle spine. Cainscross Rd corridor is included in Stroud LCWIP and will be supplemented by CIL funded feasibility study Dr Newton's Way and crossing facilities around the Wallbridge junction are part of the Stroud LUF bid. Tewkesbury Published. Cirencester and Cam & Dursley Published.
A417 – Cycle Feasibility Study	Designated Funds Cycle Feasibility Study: As previously - General arrangement drawings currently being produced by Atkins GTC teams and due to be completed by the middle of July, for Routes U4 (Brockworth to Gloucester) and U3 (Brockworth to Cheltenham). We have also been tasked to draft notes for an alternative route for U4, avoiding Barnwood Road due to restrictions of Highway space. The GA drawings will form part of public consultation of affected landowners adjacent to Route U3 between Brockworth and the south of Cheltenham. Following completion of the General Arrangement drawings, an economic assessment of the two route alignments will also be carried using cost estimates to assess the suitability and buildability.
ThinkTravel	
Bikeability	5325 children Bikeability trained in 21/22. 1586 children Bikeability trained so far in 22/23.

	Inclusive cycling days run at 3 x Special Provision schools in the county (The Shrubberies / St Roses's and Paternoster) in partnership with Goals Beyond Grass Adult Cycling Training sessions run to encourage use of new B4063 cycle route at Pennant PLC, UCAS and GE Aviation.
Capability Fund	Launch of active travel grant for business and schools of up to £2500 (match funded). This is to fund a purchase that will boost active travel e.g. pool bikes, cycle racks etc

5.0 AOB

Tour of Britain:

Roads were brought up to standard. Consider meshing with Ad/Ed in future – training marshalls etc. and creating economic links to businesses in association with future Tours.

Cllr CC concerned that 2 different races were being confused. The Tour of Britain and the Women's Tour are different races. Not impressed with images of male cyclists used to depict the latter. She regrets more did not take place at Tewkesbury element. CC advised that Districts had ownership of event management.

Items for next meeting:

- Usual Updates
- Dutch Reach
- The Highway Code
- Road Safety Policy (note imminent 8-week consultation)
- Feedback on the Quality Assessment of cycling infrastructure

Date of next meeting:

Tuesday 11 October 2022, 2:00pm-4:00pm. Oldbury Meeting Room/TEAMS