

Welwyn Hatfield Cycling Forum: Minutes of the 4th Annual General Meeting held 13th June 2012

Present: Adam Edwards, John Shead, Roger Moulding, Cathy Wilkins, Chris Whitehouse, Jeremy Payne.

Apologies: Marjolein Grosefsema, Ian Gregory, Bryn Jones.

Minutes of the previous meeting held 9.5.12 and matters arising:

- ☐ Check list for Dr Bike repairs is being agreed by email. **Action Chris**
- ☐ Local Access Forum Minutes link, garage for storage, puncture kits purchase. Done
- ☐ Publicity photos of riders in action still needed. Send to John. **Action All.**
- ☐ Hatfield Town Council news: Deadline missed and is infrequent.
- ☐ Email: Agreed everyone should think before sending an email to all members of the group so emails received at work are minimized.
- ☐ Cole Green Way subway needs cleaning after flood. **Action Cathy to report to HCC. To do.**
- ☐ Lemsford Road Halt: Cathy still to reply to Councilor Archer. **Action Cathy.**
- ☐ Cyclewatch: Adam had followed up by email and had received a confusing reply. Agreed new chair should invite Jay to the next meeting to clarify matters and confirm the way forward. **Action John.**
- ☐ Bridelway route was emailed. Noted that GPX mapping can be used to create routes for the web site. **Action Chris to set up an account for us. Ride Leaders to plot for PR.**
- ☐ Membership card: Roger had emailed the mailing list and only had one reply. Agreed not to take further..
- ☐ New CTC website: adding our rides. **Action John to do.**
- ☐ Meeting dates to website: Done.

AGM items

- ☐ Chair's report received.
- ☐ Accounts for 2011-12 approved.
- ☐ Election of officers:
 - o Chair: John Shead – Proposed by Cathy, Seconded by Chris
 - o Secretary: Adam agreed to act in the role until such time as a volunteer can be found. Proposed Cathy, Seconded Jeremy.
 - o Treasurer: Roger Moulding re-elected. Proposed Chris, Seconded Jeremy.
 - o Minutes secretary: No one was willing to stand so this will be shared.

Planned events

- ☐ Oaklands ride had been diverted to St Albans as the steam fair had been cancelled but as rain had been forecast (wrongly) no one had turned up.
- ☐ Treasure hunt is 19th August.
- ☐ Agreed to try a weekly Wednesday ride for children during the summer school holidays. Routes would be local cycle paths ending in parks e.g. Hertford, St Albans and possibly South Mimms with repeats.
- ☐ In order to ensure we have cover for this **members are all asked to notify the chair of all the dates they can help with so a rota can be organized. Action All.**
- ☐ Dates to be added to the list. **Action Adam – done.**
- ☐ John to send WHT a press release with photos for these rides. Action John.
- ☐ Environment week stall at University. Ian needs to chase his contact about this. **Action Ian.**

Any other business

- ☐ Cyclenation would like an invitation to talk to us. Agreed. **Action Roger/John.**
- ☐ Website: Could it have a button for donations? Add Cyclenation and CycleHerts as links. **Action Jeremy/Chris.**

- ▯ Mechanics: Trained are Roger and Mick. There is a course on in north London for anyone interested.
- ▯ Alban Way budget: Reduced to £10,000 due to spending cuts and may come down further. Major resurfacing not therefore possible. However, there are many locations where last years root work now needs doing again. **Action Cathy.**
- ▯ Hedges: Should be reported to Herts Direct. Pruning cannot be carried out when birds are nesting.
- ▯ Workplace challenge: This is a scheme in Hemel, Watford and St Albans to get more employees cycling to work and competing against other firms. Please tell friends in the area about it. It is being promoted via bus station information screens.