

## Welwyn Hatfield Cycling Forum: Meeting Minutes held Weds 14<sup>th</sup> Nov 2012

**Present:** Bryn Jones, Chris Whitehouse, John Shead, Roger Moulding, Ian Gregory.

**Apologies:** Tom, Cathy, Adam.

### Minutes of the previous meeting held 10.10.12:

- ☐ WHSPAA notice board in the Galleria. Update – UPDATE no Sports Noticeboard found(?)
- ☐ Newsletters to go on the website. John to send docs to Chris. **Done.**
- ☐ Hatfield Parking Consultation. Chris to respond. **Done.**

### Events and Rides for 2013

- ☐ 2<sup>nd</sup> Saturday Social rides. Rogers Uni ride was very successful. See website or newsletter for write up.
- ☐ 8<sup>th</sup> Dec 11.00am. UofH Forum to Verulamiam Park along the Alban Way. Café stop TBD.
- ☐ Rides list now on Yahoo site.
- ☐ The Streetlife community website. John to register WHCF for WGC. Also need a Hatfield registration
- ☐ Life Magazine. John to send Sat Social ride dates. **Done**
- ☐ Some other suggestions for SS rides included Whitewebbs Museum, Lee Valley White Water Park and the Redbourn bike café. It was pointed out that we need to keep distances manageable for novice riders.
- ☐ Congratulations to Chris Martin who was the winner of the £10 gift voucher in our prize draw.

### Alban Way Maintenance

As Adam and Cathy were not present, it was decided to carry any updates over to December.

### Dr Bike Checklist

The wording on the current checklist was discussed and approved. Chris suggested that we might ask the owner to record any actions on the checklist themselves. If we adopted this method, should we also remove the signature from the form?

### AOB

Roger reported on the Herts Cycle Forum at County Hall:

- ☐ Ringway have been awarded the Herts road maintenance contract.  
See <http://www.cnplus.co.uk/ringway-named-on-420m-highways-deal-as-mouchel-and-amey-contracts-end/8628394.article>
- ☐ Active Travel Consultation. Roger to comment (?) **Action Roger.**
- ☐ Pinch points. Please send any examples of cycle friendly pinch points to David Burt, [david.burt@hertshighways.org.uk](mailto:david.burt@hertshighways.org.uk) with location and photo. **Action all.**

Hatfield Cycles will be under new ownership. They are hoping to open a coffee shop. It was suggested that we hold a ride on the opening day and will need to contact the new owner somehow. **Action Chris/Ian.**

Talk at Mill Green Museum on the Development Hatfield Town Centre, Mon 21<sup>st</sup> Jan 2pm  
Although a history talk, this should include the latest plans. £5 admission.  
<http://www.welhat.gov.uk/index.aspx?articleid=726>

DFT HGV Speed Limit Consultation

Consultation on raising HGV speed limits from 40 to 50mph (closes Feb 1<sup>st</sup>)

<https://www.gov.uk/government/consultations/examining-the-speed-limit-for-heavy-goods-vehicles-over-7-5-tonnes-on-single-carriageway-roads>

Reaction from British Cycling

<http://www.britishcycling.org.uk/campaigning/article/cam20121116-Higher-HGV-Speed-Limits--Once-Again-the-Department-for-Transport-Fails-to-Consider-Cycling-0>

**Meeting Dates – Weds 12<sup>th</sup> Dec, 9<sup>th</sup> Jan, 13<sup>th</sup> Feb, 13 March, 10<sup>th</sup> April**