Welwyn Hatfield Cycling Forum: Minutes of meeting held 9th May 2012

Present: Adam Edwards, Roger Moulding, Chris Whitehouse, Ian Gregory, John Shead, Jeremy Payne, Bryn Jones, Cathy Wilkins, Marjolein Groefsema.

Apologies for absence: Tom Morley

Minutes of the previous meeting held 11th April 2012 and matters arising

- Reminder to Cathy to send off Kaleidoscope application and cheque. Action: Cathy **Done**
- Check list of repairs Chris item outstanding. Action: Chris to do
- Events to be added to Bike Week action: Action: John ongoing done
- Hertfordshire Cycle Rides booklet, Action: Ian ongoing done
- Local Access Forum. Minutes are available, Action: lan to give Chris a link to add to
 Cycle Forum website emailed to group but link still to add
- Local Transport Plan soon up for review. Action: Cathy to ask Antia Ward / Paul Everard, WHBC if they have received anything about this yet. **Nothing received.**
- Welwyn Hatfield Times article on Big Pedal. Action: Cathy to scan article and send to Trevor - Done
- WHBC have offered the forum shared use of one of their garages for storage. Action: Cathy to arrange still to confirm which one!

Events

- List discussed and updated. New version to be created by Adam and posted on Yahoo.
 Action Adam Done.
- Agreed Dr Bike at events should do no more than basic checks and any repairs requiring the purchase of parts should be referred to local shops.
- Puncture repair kits to be bought to be sold to anyone needing one at events. Action Roger.
- Ask local bike shops for business cards to hand out at events. Action Roger???

Any Other Business

- HCC Cycle Forum 26th April 2012 attended by Cathy. Meeting was addressed by Trevor Mason with same information as we had heard. British Cycling Federation are organising Sky rides in Watford, Hemel and St Albans. 25 in each. First rides on 6/7/12. CTC are organising work place challenges in the same towns.
- **Publicity**: Action shots from events are preferred by local publications. Send to John. **Action All.** John to investigate Hatfield Town Council community news. **Action John.**
- Email usage: Agreed that email to individuals, unless the whole group needs to see it, should be sent to personal addresses only to spare others the extra email. Subjects should be clearly stated. **Action All**.
- Cole Green Way: Subway under A414 has flooded and needs cleaning. Action Cathy to report to Herts Direct.
- Trevor Mason: Unanswered questions to be emailed to him. Action Cathy.
- Lemsford Road Halt: Councillor Archer is looking for volunteer help to clear the station platform. Agreed this was not a priority for the Alban Way and suggested if help needed for the project Community Payback might be better. Action Cathy to respond to him.
- **Cyclewatch:** Concern that this project's future is now unclear. Coordination has been taken back from Chris by Jay. No replied to emails expressing concern about personal information being made too easy to access. Planned lock your bikes up poster will not

- have any logos on it, despite WHBC financial contribution. Action Adam and Cathy to email Derek Sweeny to clarify where we are.
- **Bridleway opening:** Ian and Jeremy had attended the opening of this new link from Harpenden to the new Heartwood Forest. Route is 3/4m long and was the initiative of a local farmer. **Action Ian to email a marked up map of the route.**
- Membership card: Roger had looked as Spokes offer to members of a quarterly newsletter, free local rides book, 10% off at 5 local shops and many more rides that we run. Kinetic and Hatfield Cycles offer 10% off to CTC members. Agreed likely income from membership will be low as few benefits we can offer. Action Roger to email the wider mailing list to ask what they might be prepared to pay for 10% off in local bike shops.
- New CTC web site: Preview possible. Can add our information to it. Action John.

Next meeting 13.6.12 (AGM)

- Dates to go onto web site. Action Chris.
- Yahoo calendar needs correcting. Action Adam done.