

## **Welwyn Hatfield Cycling Forum: Meeting Minutes held 11<sup>th</sup> July 2012**

**Present:** John Shead, Roger Moulding, Cathy Wilkins, Chris Whitehouse, Ian Gregory

**Apologies:** Bryn Jones, Adam Edwards, Jeremy Payne

### **Minutes of the previous meeting held 13.6.12:**

- ☐ Publicity photos of riders in action still needed. Send to John. **Action All.**
- ☐ Emails: Everyone should think before sending and replying to all members of the group so that emails not relevant and those received at work are minimized. **Ongoing**
- ☐ Cole Green Way subway needs cleaning after flood. **Done**
- ☐ Cyclewatch: We agreed to monitor progress and wait until Cyclewatch was properly up and running before engaging with the Police.
- ☐ CTC website: adding our rides. Have requested WHCF be added to list but no reply as yet. **Ongoing**

### **Events**

- ☐ Kaleidoscope Festival attendance was down on last year due to the rain. Our stall was located just outside the main arena. John and Roger thought this was ok, but there was some disagreement as to whether we would have been better placed inside. Ian and Chris ran Dr Bike and checked 4 bikes, but we really need our service to be listed on the official poster to get punters.  
It was noticed that the top pins on the gazebo roof were not engaged. These need to be located properly. **Action All**  
It was observed that putting the cover on/off would be easier if we could use a broom or similar.
- ☐ The WHCF banner really could have bigger text for maximum effect. No money for a replacement, but can we find out what how much the banner was last time? (Could still use the old banner on the table front) **Action Adam**
- ☐ We wondered if we should have an arty cycle logo like Spokes or STACC. If anyone is feeling creative, feel free to have a go. **Action All**
- ☐ 6 x weekly Wednesday morning rides for children during the summer school holidays. Routes would be along local cycle paths starting Hatfield or WGC at 10.15am riding to Mill Green Museum for the holiday activities. We agreed as the rides were so short we would not put any age restrictions on and see how it goes. John/Roger to do WGC and Ian/Chris/John to do Hatfield rides. Need publicity before hols begin. **Action John**
- ☐ John to send WHT a press release with photos for these rides. **Done** (published WH Times 18/7)
- ☐ Provide a leaflet holder with A5 rides fliers to Kinetic cycles. **Action Roger**
- ☐ Treasure hunt is 19<sup>th</sup> August.
- ☐ Burnham Green ride needs the best route planned and the 2012 date needs to be confirmed.
- ☐ Environment week stall at University. Ian phoned Scott Copsey on April 16th but was out and spoke to Bo Liu. She said she would be working on Environment Week again this year but at that point they had not set a date. She also said she had Roger's email address and would contact him closer to the time.
- ☐ The Pub ride for next meeting (7pm 8<sup>th</sup> Aug) was discussed and the Plough at Sleepshyde was agreed on. Easy access off the Alban Way. <http://www.theploughstalbans.com/>  
Needs to go on website/events and could go up on Skyride Social ? **Action John**

### **New Members**

- ☐ Discussed running a regular social ride to a pub or café on the same date, say 4th weds of the month ?. Ideas welcome. **Action All**

- Also need to attract new members on to our meetings. Any ideas welcome. We wondered how STACC and Spokes faired in their early years? **Action All**

### **Dr Bike Checklist**

- The form disclaimer was discussed at length. Remove the word 'test' from the end of the form.
- Would we be held negligent if we missed something ?. Chris to contact <http://ukcyclerrules.com/> and Nick Truran. **Action Chris**. Roger to contact CTC for guidance. **Action Roger**

### **Queensway/Woods Avenue Roundabout**

- Herts Highways have resurfaced the roundabout so that the old faded peripheral cycle lanes have gone but now have replaced these with painted white lines in the same dangerous position hazardous to cyclists. Email Dave Burt and Trevor Mason to ask for clarification. **Action John**

### **Any other business**

- Google maps now has a cycling route option, although it may be inaccurate.
- Chris wants to rework the WHCF website using Wordpress. The URL to become welhatcycling.wordpress.com. **Ongoing**
- Chris is tidying the Yahoo file storage, renaming files. However as only authors can do this, he is copying/renaming files and requesting authors to delete their files when asked. **Action All**
- Roger has emailed out the results of the cycling survey.
- Mixed group ride. Sponsorship for Roger.