



# STOCKPORT

METROPOLITAN BOROUGH COUNCIL

## Stockport public Cycle User Group

Thursday 29<sup>th</sup> November 2018

Stockport Town Hall

### PRESENT

Ian Barker	(local cyclist)	Kathy England	(TPT/Sustrans)
Charlie Hulme	(local cyclist)	Joanna Hulme	(local cyclist)
Don Naylor	(SMBC; Chair)	Nick Robinson	(SMBC; minutes)
Dave Butler	(local cyclist)	Keith Rogers	(local cyclist)
Anna Butler	(TfGM)	Mike Padfield	(Stockport Greens)
Roger Hubbard	(South Mcr CTC)	Max Wild	(Cyclict)
Rob Clark	(Cyclist)	Edgar Ernstbrunner	(Ramblers Ass.)
Peter West	(Local Cyclist)	Peter Vickerman	(local cyclist)

**APOLOGIES:** Richard Clark; Sarah McClellan; Peter Black; Janet Bellingall

### 1. Minutes of previous meeting

Approved

### 2. Matters Arising:

**2.1. Aurora Path:** sign 180deg from correct direction at Farmers Arms junction-needs to be removed or repositioned.

**2.2. Aurora link roads:** no shared use signs on routes down from Brinksway. Has scheme been fully completed: no lights on Hoylake Rd link? Also outstanding issue of anti-social behaviour, including lighting of fires under the railway line. **Action 1: Cycling Officers to check with SMBC Highway Design and Network Rail**

**2.3. Cheadle Hulme Station crossing:** will not up to standard for cycle as well as pedestrian use now, but TfGM are hoping to future proof it for any future scheme dealing with the wider Station Rd area.

**2.4.** There are still 'No Cycling' signs on Mellor Rd. Footpath 68 CG is also being upgraded to bridleway, so all such signs at that point are now redundant. **Action 2: Cycling Officers to check status of the railway crossing at the other end of the bridleway.** *Done: The railway crossing is bridleway, the spur back to Swann Lane is footpath only.*

**2.5. Knightsbridge:** a short discussion followed the provision of the construction plans, with a particular comment being made concerning the layout for cyclists re-entering the Great

Portwood St carriageway after using the Knightsbridge cycle track. **Action 3: Cycling Officers to feed back to SMBC Highway Design**

- 3. A555:** Stanley Green Roundabout-there is no route to the east for cyclists coming from the A555. No transition from road to cycle path-no signs etc. There are lights on the roundabout but no crossing (are the lights only facing entering traffic?) It was suggested that this be made a crossing of Grove Lane towards St James' School **Action 4: Cycling Officers to feed back to Highways / A6 MARR Project teams**

It was suggested that a full area study be made to include the proposed A34 parallel link and other as yet undesigned.

*"the whole junction is not fit for pedestrian/cycle use, and their needs should have been addressed during the design process"*

It was felt that as a general principle that pedestrians and cyclists should have more input, and be considered at a much earlier stage in the design process than is currently apparent.

Snagging issues were raised which have been detailed elsewhere. It was stated that an A6 MARR Project team member has advised that the signing is complete. **Cycling officers to check (Action 5).**

Other issues raised include the interfaces at Woodford Recreation Ground and Chester Rd.

Round posts vs square posts. Why are we still having this discussion?

- 4. Walking and Cycling Strategy:** is now the "Walking and Cycling Plan" and will be consulted upon as part of the Council's Active Communities Strategy. A major advantage to this approach is that far more people are likely to engage with the process. It is intended that the responses to the consultation, including specific infrastructure suggestions will be used to target area Beelines workshops as the next stage in improving Stockport's cycling and walking provision.

#### **5. TCAP and other new infrastructure**

CCAG new route outlined by TfGM along with traffic calming necessary to make this a viable plan. It was suggested that enforcement of speed limits would be vital. The question was asked as to whether Beelines principles could be applied to traffic calming rather than previously used techniques. **Action 6: Cycling Officers to raise with SMBC Highways Network Management**

Various new parts of the TCAP network were explained.

A discussion ensued following an invitation to CUG members to suggest locations for new or upgraded crossings that might be included in a forthcoming Mayoral Challenge Fund (MCF) bid. **Action 7:**All to continue forwarding suggestions to [cycling@stockport.gov.uk](mailto:cycling@stockport.gov.uk)

## 6. AOB

**TPT:** signage on diversion route. Matters in hand, but observations welcome.

**RoW:** bridleway round Staples very overgrown **Action 8: Cycling Officers to raise with SMBC PRoW** (*Done. Added to vegetation work list*).

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