

CYCLEWIGHT Committee, 10 May 2018

Present: Martin Gibson (MG), Malcolm Ross (MR) Tim Thorne (TT), Matthew Whittaker(MW), George Wilks (GW),

Apologies: Val Lawson(VGL), Tanja Rebel (TR), Martin Pay (MP) Alec Lawson(AL)

Sad News

For those who knew him Keith Evensen sadly died earlier this week. Keith helped CW out particularly in the early days. It was decided to send a condolence card (This has been done) There will be a memorial service for Keith at Northcourt Manor in Shorwell on 4th June to which anyone who knew Keith would be most welcome.

Hullaballo and Riverfest

Materials needed: Stands, RTI flyers, the new Red Squirrel Trail flyer, a list of Cw achievements, a flyer seeking members, a newsletter, a Brompton, a tape measure chalk/sticky black tape for distance (wider for the rider), pictures of cycle track.

Meeting with IR 21st May 15.00

A discussion took place about the stance of our negotiations and the points to be included.

Barriers/design. As far as possible it should be "that having to dismount / unnecessarily dismount is not acceptable." An agreement to use more up to date guidelines than at present used.

Better diversions when roads closed.

Better relationship – a two way flow of information

Standard of cycle track refurbishment. Additional reflectors along Cowes to Newport.

Attendance at Cycle Forum

Newport traffic plan

There has been no news on this. We need to write to Ian Ward to ask for the feedback from the consultations.

Permeability Study

TT and MR were due to make a presentation to Newport Parish Council about the work but this has been cancelled to June. We have been invited to Cowes T C to make a presentation also in June. Whippingham and Wootton Parish Council have commissioned their own permeability study. TT and MR have also spoken to the consultant who has been asked to work on the The Bay project. MR has prepared some suggestions as an incentive for an area wide study.

The study has been sent out to all local councils on the Island.

Round the Island Route.

We have been contacted by Steve Crockett, who is keen for the RTI to go through Ventnor using the Undercliff. There was some discussion on the merits of this and felt that it would be a good idea. Quieter road, interesting landscape, The Botanic Garden, St Catherine's Point being some of the plus points.

The Local Cycling and Walking Infrastructure Project.

Cw have been invited to be part of the project LCWIP Board. The first meeting has been held. It was agreed to submit all the documents linked to cycling and walking to the consultant to give him an idea where the Island is. The next meeting with the Consultant is 29th May. An interesting aside is that within the meeting the Planning Officer writing the new Island Plan said he would wish to incorporate the work of the consultant in the new plan.

Quay Street survey.

TT and GW said they would do another one soon, with the improved weather.

CycleWight 25th anniversary

TT had been in touch with the organisers of the Cycle Festival. It was agreed to do a bike ride from the Festival HQ, which is to be at Arretton Barns this year, on the first week of the Festival 25-27 August. Details to be firmed up at the next meeting. TT suggested that the Aretton 30mp zone be extended to East Lane Merstone for that weekend.