# **CYCLEWIGHT Committee. 18 Jan 2017**

Present: Tim Thorne (TT), Martin Gibson (MG), Andy Newman (AN), Val Lawson (VL), Alex Lawson (AL)

Apologies: Martin Pay, Matthew Whittaker, Colin Boon, George Wilks, Steve Archer,

### 1. Isle of Wight consultations.

TT attended an IWC Budget Consultation for Cyclewight. Other groups were charities for youth groups & for elderly. Tim put forward the view that 106 money should be sought more assertively.

At the Transport Partnership Tim made a presentation for Cyclewight, which was received positively.

Newport Parish Council also invited TT to make a presentation, which was received positively. There was a further meeting due on Saturday 21 January, to be at the Riverside Centre, as an opportunity for the public to give views on transport problems in Newport. There would be a 20's Plenty video presentation. Pedestrian & cycle friendly schemes would be considered, in particular the Gunville Greenway. Tom Ransom had secured a visit from a Sustrans urban planning expert.

VGL asked about comments made on the Asda planning application to IWC? Construction is now well advanced but it is too early to know how it will work out for cycling.

Other planning applications in the system are for school developments. Cyclewight comments to planning re the Carisbrooke school point out that 20 racks for >600 pupils is inadequate. TT has been asked to speak for Cyclewight at the planning committee meeting. The committee agreed that TT would be speaking for Cyclewight.

A councillor is reported in the press as stating that cycling across Newport is unpleasant. Cyclewight thinks that the north-south cycle route is excellent: however an east-west route need to be engineered.

## 2. Transition Funding

As part of the Transition Funded project the provision of cycle parking across the island is to be mapped. A previous comprehensive survey exists but needs to be updated. Cyclewight have agreed to carry this out and will be paid for doing so. TT has divided up the island into regions, and will make available existing data in the required format including grid references. Results are needed by the end of February to be submitted by end of March. Cycle parking on private land such as shops and health centres is appropriate as well as public provision. Photos are optional but may help. Survey "volunteers" include Steve Archer, Martin Pay, Derek Jackson, Val & Alex Lawson.

The IWC planning department is updating its Strategic Plan, and CycleWight has been asked for detailed proposals. Martin Gibson has available mapping software, and has produced general maps of our wished-for routes along with some examples of how these could be realistically achieved in practice.

#### 3. Isle of Wight Cycle Forum 9 February

This will be at 6pm on Thursday 9 February at IW Fire & Rescue HQ, Newport. Proposed agenda below - to be circulated. \*\*\*action AL\*\*\*

- # Wayfarers Randonnée
- # IW Cycle Festival update
- # Visit Isle of Wight Website cycling. (Zoe Stroud)
- # West Wight Multi User Path
- # IW Cycle Network: Maintenance in future after initial 7 years?

(Contact Island Roads in advance of meeting \*\*\*action MB/AL\*\*\*)

# Road Safety & 20mph limits

#AOB

#### 4. Cyclewight matters & AOB

# Vic Mann has resigned from the committee. His input has been much appreciated.

# Our excellent website is run by Alan Bennett. He has requested part funding for software, currently on offer, needed to continue & improve the site. This would be half of £110 (\*\*TIM PLEASE CONFIRM\*\*). The committee agreed and authorised this. \*\*\*action TT/CB/AB\*\*\*

# it was noted that the Wightlink car ferry to Portsmouth will terminate at the International ferry port for a temporary period, while work is carried out at Gunwharf. Due to customs restrictions only cars will be

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allowed. Thus pedestrians & bikes will be unable to use the car ferry for a period, possibly 3 days.

# Issue Tracking: MG suggested some system is badly needed to do this. AN said the Wayfarers Randonnée committee make use of Google Docs for all to keep up to date on progress. Al said Jennine Gardiner has adopted a table as part of the minutes for the Local Access Forum to track issues. Take this on board \*\*\*action AL\*\*\*