



# CYCLE FORUM

## MINUTE

Tuesday, 31<sup>ST</sup> August 2004, Committee Room 5, Town House.

### Present:

Dave Lindsey, CTC, Right to Ride Officer (Chair)  
 Derek Williams, CTC  
 Jackie Wilkins, CTC  
 Jeremy Rushton, Friends of the Earth  
 Maureen Young, CTC  
 Sarah Wingrove, Shell  
 Ian Inglis  
 Marjorie Inglis  
 Louise Napier, Aberdeen City Council  
 Warren Murphy, Aberdeen City Council  
 Sonia Element, BP

### Apologies:

Saville Gunn, Aberdeen Wheelers  
 Gavin Clark  
 Dave Tulett, Marine Lab  
 Kris Howard, CTC  
 Cllr Greig, Aberdeen City Council

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| <p><b>1. Welcome</b></p> <p>DW welcomed everybody to the meeting. Apologies from SG, GC, DT, KH and MG.</p>   |  |
| <p><b>2. Minute of Last Meeting (27/07/04) and Matters Arising</b></p> <p><i>Cycle Map</i><br/>         It was thought that a permanent copy of the Cycle Map ought to be placed in the Central Library so that anyone could view it.<br/>         LN to find out cost of another 1000-2000 copy print run.</p> <p><i>Local Plan</i><br/>         WM handed out copies of the Local Plan Supplementary Transport Guidance. II, DL and MY to form a group looking at the Local Plan and send a response back.</p> <p><i>NESTRANS Money</i><br/>         DW to send Ian Yuill an email reminding him that the Forum are very keen to see the £50,000 spent on cycling and are primed to make suggestions.</p> <p><i>Union Street Project</i><br/>         II thought that the letter was excellent. DW had a response back from Jennifer Anderson at the Council saying that the impact to cyclists as a result of the proposals will be considered in Stage II Environmental Assessment and has not been considered as part of the detailed plans yet. The letter had asked for complete cycle access to all pedestrianised areas and the response had been that this would be a matter for Committee to decide. DW believed that lobbying of Councillors would have to be done on this issue and a case would need to be built. DL to email Right to Ride officers around different cities to get examples of restricted and unrestricted cycle access. LN or WM to contact Joanna Beveridge to find out what details and recommendations are going to E&amp;I Committee, or whether it will just be a presentation of the roadshow results. DW to write a follow on letter asking directly about what recommendations they are making for cycling, and if they are a copy of the report.</p> | <p>LN<br/>LN</p> <p>II, DL, MY</p> <p>DW</p> <p>DL</p> <p>LN/ WM</p> <p>DW</p> |

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| <p><b>3. Access from the North/ Third Don Crossing Proposals</b></p> <p>SE and JR had met with Council Roads Officers, Tom Rogers and Mike Matheson and had gone over the plans for the proposed route. There were key issues that needed to be decided amongst the Forum and it would require further work. SE and JR to form a working group. SE to ask if there were any members of the BP BUG interested in joining the group. Any other Forum members with an interest to contact LN.</p>   |                              |
| <p><b>4. Cycle Parking</b></p> <p>The Forum discussed an incident with Tom Moore, from the City Centre Partnership. Earlier on in the week he had told a cyclist to remove his bike from railings – otherwise it would be forcibly removed and the cyclist would have to pay a recovery fee. LN wrote an email to John Carnie, Tom Moore’s manager, explaining that this was unacceptable and that more cycle parking should be provided if cyclists had no other option than to use railings. John Carnie had then asked for a list of where cycling should be provided within the City Centre and this would come out of City Growth Fund money (up to £10,000). DL to write a letter to John Carnie on behalf of ACF – saying that the Forum are happy to work with ACCP but asking them not to threaten cyclists. The Forum would also look to identify sites and discuss the design of stands. DT, JW and SW to form a group for a cycle parking audit.</p> | <p>DL<br/>DT/ JW/<br/>SW</p> |
| <p><b>5. Western Peripheral Route</b></p> <p>There was great concern that the WPR Managing Agent was not taking the issue of facilities for non-motorised access over the Rivers Dee and Don seriously. LN to contact Sustrans and Cycling Scotland for advice and to make them aware of the situation. DT to write a response to the Scottish Executive explaining ACF’s concerns regarding the bridges.</p>  | <p>LN<br/>DT</p>             |
| <p><b>6. Wellington Road</b></p> <p>LN explained that very little could be done with Wellington Road, as they had a limited budget which initially had not included any cycle facilities at all – however Roads were trying to put in some sort of facility. SW supported the scheme as it stood but highlighted that she had concerns with the junction at the north end of Wellington Road and how it connected to the rest of the cycle network. She had suggested to Roads in a letter that the Forum should be involved in finding the best way of linking the routes up.</p>   |                              |
| <p><b>7. Any Other Business</b></p> <p>None.</p>   |                              |
| <p><b>8. Next meeting</b></p> <p>Thursday, 30<sup>th</sup> September, 8.30pm-9.30pm, the Carlton Bar on Castlegate.<br/>Please note that it is also the first anniversary of the Forum and to celebrate we will be having a gathering from 7pm until 8.30pm.</p>   |                              |