Cycle Chesterfield Monthly Meeting 14/05/24

Held at Chesterfield Library

Present: Tony Ford (committee), Martin Farr (Treasurer), Kathy Farr, Lisa Hopkinson, Jason Dent (Newsletters), Graeme Challands, Barry Kay, Sharon Stone, Dean Sas (website)

Apologies: Nigel Vernon, Barbara Sansome, Megan Cook, Alastair Meikle, Chris Allen

Tony agreed to chair this meeting

Updates on actions

	ACTION	Progress	Owner
1.	Cycle Friendly Employers scheme	Sub-group to meet to discuss promotion pack and next steps	TF/MF/AM
2.	CC promotion at Dr Bike sessions 2024	Members attended last Dr Bike. TF volunteered to attend the next one.	AM
3.	Newsletter	Several submissions received for the next newsletter. DISCHARGED	JD/AM
4.	Newsletter distribution	TF can pick up Hasland & Wingerworth rounds. MF&KF could usually take on a round if necessary but not available for this one.	AM
5.	Cycle map	Funding received, amendments made, maps printed! DISCHARGED	AM
6.	Tapton waymarker	TF volunteered to investigate CC sticker	TF
7.	Cycle Festival planning	Group met. Several volunteers have come forward but more needed.	MF/KF/SS/ DS/AM/TF
8.	Website - profiles, getting involved etc	None	DS
9.	Website - content review	None	DS
10.	Cycle infrastructure maintenance reporting	None	MF
11.	East / West route - station bridge & robinsons maintenance	None reported	AM
12.	New memberships & renewals	Proposed new plan with twice-yearly renewals	MF
13.	Facebook	MF added to FB admin list	AM/DS

		Social media hasn't continued being heated so no further changes required DISCHARGED	
14.	Derbyshire bike routes book	Author invited to Brampton Brewery social but can't make it. DISCHARGED	JD/AM
15.	Bike routes within Holmebrook Valley Park	Decided to consult the handy new cycle map . DISCHARGED	

Membership Report - MF

MF stepped in again as the temporary acting membership secretary.

We are currently at 209 members, which is an increase of one. Two new members joined, and sadly, one member passed away.

We plan to move from having one renewal date in January, to two renewal dates - January or June depending upon when the member joins. This will improve fairness for new members without unduly burdening the membership secretary.

Treasurer Report - MF

Balance stands at £4700.

This is an increase of £200. We've received income from Derbyshire County Council towards the festival and £35 from members. We've spent money on printing for the festival, monthly web hosting.

We've been awarded grants from Chesterfield Borough Council and Cycling UK towards the new cycle map and will pay the reminder ourselves.

We expect the festival to come in significantly under budget thanks to grants from the Derbyshire County Council community leadership scheme.

Secretary Report - AM

Nothing to report from planning.

DCC are hoping to get Crow Lane trimmed and swept before June.

Social Media Report - DS

Concentrating efforts on the bike festival.

Reached out to nearby clubs and campaigning organisations to highlight the festival and had a very supportive response. The Derby Cycling Group would like to come to hear about our campaigning and see our infrastructure.

We continued our discussion on our approach to Facebook, in light of April's combative posts about the East / West route. As it hasn't continued to be an issue we will continue as we are.

Chesterfield Cycling Festival (7th - 16th June 2024)

Posters have been printed and distributed, we still have a supply left.

We've started taking bookings online for rides and events.

PCSOs have confirmed attendance at the HVP funday, to advise on security.

JE James have donated some prizes for the funday.

We have several volunteers come forward for the funday, though more are welcome.

We need up to eight volunteers for the Emily Chappell talk - checking tickets etc.

Summer rides

SS has a series of summer rides planned

Now the festival programme is organised we should start-up Friday Night Rides again.

Any Other Business

GC informs us that the Edge Ministry in Staveley is starting a cycling maintenance course.

A group drawn from across the East Midlands is planning to write to the new East Mids Mayor on creating an active travel plan. LH recommends that we get involved with the group.

Homelessness and drug-taking has been encountered on the HVT near Matalan and Mecca and it no longer felt safe. It's possible that it has been resolved now but we noted that the local Safer Neighbourhoods Team are the best people to report any concerns too.

The canal towpath from Hollingwood Hub towards Mill Green is to be resurfaced soon.

GC has been encouraging Dunston Hall to install cycle parking at their new farm shop.

The next meeting will be Tuesday July the 9th on Zoom. There will be no meeting in June.

Outstanding actions

	ACTION	Progress	Owner
1	Cycle Friendly Employers	Sub-group to meet to discuss promotion	TF/MF/AM
	scheme	pack and next steps	
2	CC promotion at Dr Bike	Email members 10 days prior to July Dr	AM
	sessions 2024	Bike to seek new volunteers	
3	Newsletter distribution	Create Wingerworth newsletter round in	AM
		MemberMojo	
4	Newsletter distribution	Seek volunteers for Dronfield newsletter	AM
		round	
5	Tapton waymarker	TF to report back on sticker	TF
6	Website - profiles, getting	Update pages on how to get involved,	DS
	involved etc	cycling UK links, honorary member	
		profiles	
7	Website - content review	Review of text to ensure existing pages	DS
		are up to date	
8	Cycle infrastructure	Email to members to explain the process	MF
	maintenance reporting	Agree and set up bi-monthly reporting	
	, ,	process	
9	East / West route - station	Check timing of lights under station	AM
	bridge & robinsons	bridge	
	maintenance	Find out if DCC are in negotiation with	
		Robinsons about poor maintenance	
10.	New memberships &	Document new process so new	MF/DS
	renewals	members understand it	