

Active Travel Advisory Group

Thursday, 6 June 2019

19:00 – 20:55

Terrace Room, York House, Twickenham

Attendees

Cllr Gareth Richards (chair)	Active Travel Champion
David Tidley	Transport Strategy Manager, Richmond & Wandsworth Councils
Margo Turner	Principal Transport Planner, Richmond & Wandsworth Councils
Lucy Marstrand	Project Centre
Dilyan Gavrailov	Project Centre
Paul Luton	Cycling UK
Tim Lennon	Richmond Cycling Campaign
Rob Gray	FORCE
Justine Langford	Ham & Petersham Neighbourhood Forum
Cllr Monica Saunders	20's Plenty, MASC
Raphael Zachary-Younger	Barnes Community Association

Apologies

Victor Warner	Richmond Cycling Campaign
James Heath	Richmond Cycling Campaign
Emma Hookham	Sustrans
Sam Greening	Sustrans
Theo Highland	Sustrans
Alan Benson	RUILS
Jenine Langrish	MASC
Brian Holder	Teddington Society

Meeting notes

1.	Welcome and introductions	Cllr Richards
	Cllr Richards welcomed everyone to the meeting and introductions were made	
2.	Review actions from previous meeting	Margo Turner
	<p>Actions from previous meeting were briefly reviewed.</p> <p>The following actions from the previous meeting have been resolved:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Council to share TfL's Cycle Parking Strategy once it is published 	

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3.	Hampton Healthy Streets study	Lucy Marstrand & Dilyan Gavrailov
	<p>Lucy Marstrand and Dilyan Gavrailov from Project Centre gave a presentation on the Hampton Healthy Streets study. The presentation was done in two parts: background and proposals. The background covered the study brief, Healthy Streets Indicators, baseline statistics and the propensity cycle tool for the area. Some detail was provided on how the designs of side roads could be improved to promote pedestrian priority, as well as modal filters, centreline removal, school streets and bus gates. Paul Luton queried the engineering requirements of stopped-up roads and the requirement for turning heads.</p> <p>The proposals portion of the presentation was broken down into three areas: Hampton Station, Hampton Hill and Fulwell Station, including potential low traffic neighbourhoods, school streets, crossing improvements, cycle routes and rerouting buses. There was some group discussion on rerouting buses with the consensus being that it would be better to aim for more services in the area instead of moving the existing services around. Tim Lennon suggested that a stronger link needed to be made between the data and the proposals in order to ensure more public support. Rob Gray suggested more attention to be paid to green links along the Longford River and in other green spaces, including links to other areas. There was some group discussion on the proposals with the agreement that any recommendations would need to be carefully worded and presented, with extra care given to how any consultation documents might be worded, and that more work should be done to engage with the 'quieter' voices who may not speak up at public meetings.</p>	
	<p>Actions:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Investigate the engineering requirements of stopped-up roads, focusing on the need for turning heads • Feedback and/or suggestions for the project should be sent to Margo, who will forward these on to Project Centre 	<p>Margo Turner</p> <p>All</p>
4.	Progress on the 19/20 programme	Margo Turner

	<p>Margo gave an update on some of the key projects that form part of the 19/20 programme, including:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Active Travel Strategy • Borough-wide 20mph • Engineering projects, including Kew Road, Strawberry Vale and Kingston Road • Contraflows • Cycle hangars • Dockless e-bikes • Liveable Neighbourhood bids <p>Cllr Saunders mentioned that she is working to organise some sessions of Community Roadwatch following the implementation of 20mph and is keen to get volunteers interested in taking part for sessions in September and October. Cllr Saunders is also working to organise an event to promote 20mph in the press and social media.</p> <p>The overview of engineering projects included asking the team for feedback on proposals for traffic calming measures on A310 Kingston Road. There was some concern about the proposed traffic island at the junction with Beverley Road, with Tim Lennon suggesting that an alternative design would be preferable for cyclist safety.</p> <p>Tim Lennon asked about the process for the installation of cycle hangars and if it could be simplified. David explained that a paper for the September for the Transport & Air Quality Committee would include trying to make the installation of the hangars more permissive.</p> <p>There were several questions regarding the roll-out of the dockless e-bikes, focusing on the preferred parking spots and how these would be determined, what size they would be and how they would be enforced.</p>	
	<p>Actions:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Those interested in taking part in Community Roadwatch to let Cllr Saunders know • Provide feedback to engineering regarding designs for Kingston Road, focusing on the traffic island at Beverley Road 	<p>All Margo Turner</p>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Provide an update on the proposed roll-out of the dockless e-bikes after the next meeting with the provider (scheduled for 19th September) 	Margo Turner
5.	Plans for the 20/21 LIP programme	Margo Turner
	Margo went over some of the key projects proposed for the 20/21 LIP programme, relaying that most of the projects were continuations of projects currently underway, and that the programme would be at the November Transport and Air Quality Committee.	
	[No actions noted]	
6.	AOB & close	All
	<p>Cllr Saunders queried the Healthy Streets Officers that TfL are providing to all boroughs. Margo relayed that Sustrans had been awarded the contract and were in the process of hiring officers, and that we expect they would be in place in the next couple of months, with an initial focus on schools and community engagement.</p> <p>Cllr Saunders queried the small-scale walking and cycling grants offered by TfL, and if there was more that we could do to raise awareness and encourage organisations to apply.</p> <p>Justine raised temporary cycle parking for events, with the aim that the council will be able to offer temporary facilities for major events such as neighbourhood fairs.</p>	
	<p>Actions:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Publicise the small-scale walking and cycling grants when they become available in 2020 • Investigate options for offering temporary cycle parking for events • Liaise with Cllr Ehmann regarding process for better integrating active travel into small-scale engineering improvements 	Margo Turner (all)