

Active Travel Advisory Group

Roads and transport

15 February 2019

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Tuesday, 5 February 2019

19:00 – 20:50

Terrace Room, York House, Twickenham

Attendees

Cllr Gareth Richards (chair)	Active Travel Champion
Cllr Alexander Ehmann	Cabinet member for Transport, Streetscene and Air Quality
David Tidley	Transport Strategy Manager, Richmond & Wandsworth Councils
Margo Turner	Principal Transport Planner, Richmond & Wandsworth Councils
Simon Le Good	Transport Planner, Richmond & Wandsworth Councils
Tim Lennon	Richmond Cycling Campaign
Victor Warner	Richmond Cycling Campaign
Paul Luton	Cycling UK
Alan Benson	RUILS
Yvonne Benson	RUILS
Emma Hookham	Sustrans
Sam Greening	Sustrans
Justine Langford	Ham & Petersham Neighbourhood Forum
Cllr Monica Saunders	20's Plenty, MASC
Brian Holder	Teddington Society
Raphael Zachary-Younger	Barnes Community Association

Apologies

Cathy Maker	RUILS
Alan Matthews	Richmond Ramblers
Jenine Langrish	MASC

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"> • Terms of reference to be edited and posted on the website 	

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Electronic copies to be provided of all papers • Opportunities for informal engagement to be circulated as they arise • Simon to follow-up on responses to QW 21 consultation and provide these to Justine • Justine’s consultation response to be shared with the group • A baseline of locations of existing cycle parking to be provided for next meeting • Cycle parking to be agenda item at next meeting • Tim Lennon to provide updated list of ‘quick wins’ to Council • Step-free accessibility to stations to be added to aspirational project list in LIP • Website to be updated to provide additional information on cycling and information on walking • Contraflow cycling to be added to agenda for next meeting <p>The following actions from the previous meeting are in progress or outstanding:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Establish process for evaluation of locations for cycle parking & cycle infrastructure • Council to undertake evaluation of proposed quick wins and provide feedback to the group • Recommendations for Richmond town centre to be shared once these have been short-listed • Details on pedestrian-cycle bridge consultation to be shared • Details on public consultation for LIP to be shared • Council to develop an active travel strategy, encompassing walking and an update of the existing cycle strategy 	
<p>3.</p>	<p>Cycle Infrastructure Database, cycle parking & contraflow cycling</p>	<p>Simon Le Good</p>
	<p>Simon shared details on TfL’s Cycle Infrastructure Database, including LBRuT’s involvement in the trial and the sample output of location of existing cycle parking. He provided an update on bike hangars and noted that TfL would soon be publishing their cycle parking strategy. There was discussion regarding the placement of cycle parking stands – on road</p>	

	versus on pavements, with the conclusion being that where possible more cycle parking should be placed on road, but with the expectation that there were unlikely to be many opportunities for this in the short term.	
	<p>Actions:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Council to review cycle parking stand types used for design & value • Council to set a target for cycle parking • Council to provide update on timescales for first phase of contraflows • Council to share TfL's Cycle Parking Strategy once it is published • Council to share details on the Cycle Infrastructure Database once it becomes publicly available 	Simon Le Good/ Margo Turner
4.	Progress on the Active Travel Strategy – overview and discussion	Margo Turner
	<p>Margo gave an overview of the potential scope of the Active Travel Strategy and the process for developing the strategy. There was a discussion on how targets would be set, with consideration to be given to separate walking and cycling mode share targets. There was a discussion on whether schools would be included within the plan, with general support for their inclusion but it was agreed that some additional discussion would be required. Cllr Ehmann suggested that the plan included a combination of short- and long-term actions.</p> <p>Regarding routes, it was suggested that consideration should be given to linking routes to CS9, and it was suggested that TfL's analysis focused too much on commuters versus utility cycling. It was agreed that TfL's analysis should be seen as a useful guide but local factors should also be considered, and that there must be a balance between local connectivity, severance and longer routes</p>	
	<p>Actions:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Everyone to send examples of best practice strategy documents to Margo for consideration • Council to look more at the data sets to better understand what has been used in TfL's strategic 	All/ Margo Turner

	<p>cycling analysis, and to see what data is currently available regarding different journey types</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Council officers to discuss inclusion of school travel planning in the active travel strategy 	
5.	Overview of plans for 2019/20	Margo Turner
	<p>Margo provided a brief overview of the different projects that the Council would be progressing in 2019/20, covering capital and revenue projects funded through the LIP allocation. Tim raised a concern that not enough budget is allocated to promotion and participation in events, with concern about the Big Pedal. Emma was able to provide some more information on the event and said the Bikelt schools would be taking part. Margo noted that the budget looked at balancing capital and revenue budgets, and with a reduced budget compared to 2018/19 the Council has had to balance different priorities. There was discussion about School Streets and how these were being taken forward.</p>	
	<p>Action:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ask the School Travel Coordinator to attend the next meeting to provide detail to the group on school travel plans • Margo to provide additional detail on process for identifying School Streets once finalised 	Margo Turner
6.	Projects for 19/20: Cross Deep/ Strawberry Vale	All
	<p>The group was presented with an initial idea of a 3m segregated cycle track along Strawberry Vale, noting that while this would provide a great facility for cyclists, there is not currently enough space to accommodate the track, and the Council welcomed suggestions on what sort of designs should be considered. There was some concern about the safety of the junction with Ferry Road, and that more should be done for pedestrian safety at this junction, with consideration given to early release for cyclists. There were also concerns with how cyclists would access the track, provision for buses and crossing points for pedestrians.</p>	
	Actions:	Margo Turner

	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• The Council to look at different design options, including shared use path at southern end of the road, and upgraded with-flow cycle lanes, with consideration given to bus stops and car parking	
7.	AOB & close	Cllr Richards
	Simon provided a quick update on the construction schedule for QW21	
	Actions: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Next meeting scheduled for 30th April 2019 at 19:00, Terrace Room, York House	Margo Turner