



BOURNEMOUTH CYCLING FORUM
Minutes of Meeting Held on Monday 12th December, 2016
At Bournemouth Town Hall – Phoebe Room
Commencing at 18.00hrs

Attendees:

Andy Graham
Cllr David Smith
Cllr Mike Green
Ray O'Luby
John Hayter – DCN
Brian Callow
Felicity Rice
Cllr Andy Hadley
John Grantham
Tim Huxley – Business Travel Network
Peter Wickett – Poole Borough Council
Lawrence Harrell – Transport Officer BBC
Jenny Ansell
Drew Miller-Hyndman – Journalist
Jason Falconer
Anya Parkhouse - Chair
Angela Pooley – Secretary

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1. Introductions & Apologies:

1.1 Apologies were received from: Cllr Cheryl Johnson; Cllr d'Orton-Gibson; Pat Whiffen; Matt Mathews; Paul Turner; David Fevyer Mike Chalkley; Rob Hammond

2. Minutes of Previous Meeting:

These were accepted as a true and accurate record.

3. Matters Arising Not Covered on the Agenda:

There were no Matters arising

4. Introduction by Chair:

AP welcomed everyone and reinforced the Forum's commitment to working with local Councils to improve and encourage cycling. She emphasised the important part all members can play in this by highlighting where improvements can be made and supporting positive initiatives.

5. Business Travel Network – The detailed report below was presented by Tim Huxley and was welcomed by everyone as a positive initiative to encourage Cycle to Work schemes.

Business Travel Network

Bournemouth, Poole and Dorset

The Business Travel Network (BTN) promotes sustainable travel to employers and helps its members promote sustainable travel to their employees.

Members of the BTN are encouraged to carry out Staff Travel Surveys and Site Audits and then produce a Travel Action Plan focussed on the staff commute.

Originally part of the 3TT & BESMArTLSTF projects the BTN originally covered Bournemouth and parts of Poole and Christchurch. In 2015/16 its area of operation expanded to cover all of Bournemouth, Poole and Dorset.

Website: www.businesstravelnetwork.org

51 Business Members across Bournemouth, Poole & Dorset representing approximately 30,000 employees.

Recent Members:

- JordensRyvita - Poole
- Salt Ltd- Dorset
- Dorset Healthcare - Bournemouth
- ASM Assembly – Dorset
- Aeroflex – Dorset
- Marsham Court Hotel – Bournemouth





LOVE TO RIDE MOMENTUM #WinterWheelers



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#WinterWheelers Advent Calendar

We know riding in Winter can be tricky - there's less daylight and it's colder - but it can also be one of the most rewarding times to get out and get cycling!

To encourage you to enjoy the unique joys of riding in winter, we're giving away a prize a day from the 1st of December up to and including Christmas Day. All you need to do is log a ride and you could win amazing gear from Proviz, Incredible Lights from Exposure or 1 of 2 beautiful Raleigh bikes!

Remember to log your rides on the site or via an app to go in our daily and main prize draw.

FIND OUT MORE

REGISTER

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REGISTER, IT'S FREE

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RIDE FOR 10 MINUTES OR MORE

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RECRUIT FRIENDS & COLLEAGUES

4 
WIN GREAT PRIZES

ACTIVITY

-  **Rachel Alcock Hodgson** biked 7.5 miles to get somewhere
TODAY [SHARE](#) [COMMENT](#)
-  **Stephen Haskell** biked 4 miles to/from work
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-  **Clive Hillsdon** biked 6 miles to/from work
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-  **Jonathan Dixon** biked 5 miles to/from work
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REASONS WE RIDE

-  **Liz K.**
"I ride because it allows me to collect my son from school without having to get a second car."
-  **Michael O.** from **Bournemouth University**
"I ride because Rob told me."
-  **Tyrone J.** from **Bournemouth University**
"I ride because of my friends and it helps me to keep fit & I really enjoy it."

SEE MORE REASONS

LOVE TO RIDE MOMENTUM ALL TIME STATS

-  218 ORGANISATIONS
-  4,713 PEOPLE
-  1,322 NEW RIDERS
-  795,466 MILES
-  76,988 RIDES

ANNOUNCEMENTS



Sync your cycling app!

You can now link your Moves, Strava, Endomondo or MapMyRide account to your Love to Ride profile - your activity will automatically be uploaded to the site!

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6. Bournemouth & Poole Officers' Reports

6.1 Bournemouth

LH is continuing as acting cycling officer. Now assisted by Peter Wickett, Poole's Senior Walking and Cycling Officer, one day per week and possibly a little more in the future. Between us we now have more time and a broader range of skills. We should also be able to work more effectively on cross-boundary routes.

Quick Wins and TROS.

As a result of the recent TRO consultation we should soon have several new exemptions for cyclists. We were unfortunately unable to implement three (St. Georges Avenue, Richmond Gardens and Hinton Rd), but the other nine are planned to go ahead early in the new year including: Roumelia Lane, Foxholes Rd, Woodend Rd, Curzon Rd, Oswald Rd, Green Road, Gladstone Rd West, Moorvale Road & Borthwick Rd.

We are looking at quick wins and other schemes for next years programme and I would like to thank forum members for their recent suggestions. In relation to this, we are working on an appraisal system for Bournemouth and Poole to enable us to consistently rank proposals on the wishlist.

Beale Place Temporary Closure.

Cyclists have unfortunately been having persistent problems with the temporary closure which has impacted on cycling in Beale Place, Albert Road & Yelverton Road. There have been particular problems at the junction of Beale Place and St Peters/Hinton Roads. A loading bay has been marked across the entrance to Beale Place which obstructs the cycle route whenever vehicles load, or park within it. When the loading bay is not occupied, cyclists should be able to access Beale Place using a gap in the barrier, which now blocks Beale Place. The temporary barriers have, however, been getting shifted on a daily basis, by persons unknown to obstruct cyclists. The temporary barriers will soon be replaced with gates with gaps for cyclists which will hopefully resolve most of these problems. This does, however, leave the issue of the loading bay across the entrance to Beale Place unresolved for the moment.

Tuckton Roundabout.

Design work is continuing on this scheme which will provide a link with the Stour Valley Way. Current proposals have parallel crossings on each arm of the roundabout connected by shared footways. Consideration was given to reducing all of the approaches from two lanes to one and trial closures of the second lanes took place on two arms to gauge the impact on traffic. This did, however, result in significant tailbacks of traffic. As a result the approach from Wick Lane will be singled, while those from Belle View Road and Tuckton Road will remain double. Plans will be shared with the forum for review at the appropriate stage and before work commences to improve safety at the roundabout

Lansdowne to Hospital (Wessex Fields). As part of our strategy, we are considering the development of a series of quiet type routes with Poole - similar to those being developed in London. The Lansdowne to Wessex Fields/Hospital route is likely to be the first of these. As an interim measure, we have been looking at gpx files which can be loaded onto gps systems. We may also be able to produce some downloadable pdf maps/leaflets and a web page. We also need to liaise with the parks team to ensure that we don't have a forest of signs where the route passes through park land. We are still very keen to progress this, but we need to address these issues before we can sign the route.

Lansdowne Holdenhurst Road to Wellington Road.

It was mentioned previously that there are proposals to make significant improvements at the Lansdowne between Holdenhurst Road and Wellington Road. It has become clear that this needs to dovetail with adjacent proposals in the Lansdowne area and things have paused while this is resolved.

Town Centre Proposals.

Work continues in the background on various proposals for the Town Centre, some of which relate to forthcoming developments, for example the Winter Gardens. The proposals for the 20mph zone on the western side of the Town Centre opened for public consultation on 25 November. If you wish to comment the information can be found on the council's website.

Other Schemes.

Longham to Bear Cross. The footway is being upgraded to permit two way cycling off the carriageway. Work is likely to start in early 2017 and take about 3 months.

Bournemouth's first parallel (Tiger type) crossings are to be installed in Poole Lane just to the east of Nutley Way and on Belle Vue Road where Twynham Road used to cross it.

On Charminster Road cycle lanes are to be marked across the entrances to Hankinson and Markham Roads.

An initial design has been selected for the Riverside Avenue toucan. This now needs to be modelled to assess its impact. If the modelling does not show up any problems, members of the cycle forum will be invited to comment on the this proposal.

A 20 mph zone is proposed in the vicinity of Christ the King School around Durdells Ave. Provisional start date is March/April 2017.

Wimborne Road to Cemetery Junction. An initial design has been produced for cycle lanes along this stretch of road . This is about to be consulted on internally and forum members should be involved early in the new year.

A new toucan is proposed on the SW arm of Iford Roundabout (A35 Christchurch Road).

Parks.

Work is in progress at Iford Playing Fields and Iford Meadows and should be completed in the next couple of months.

Design work is being completed at Throop Crossing & Tuckton to Wick: there will be some resident consultation and we expect to undertake works in 2017.

Design work for new route through Kings Park - Gloucester Rd to South Stand of Stadium, part of south stand application - work will be undertaken in 2017.

Online Presence.

We have managed to get some tweaks made to the council website to promote cycling and alternatives to car travel. For example, we now have an alternatives to car section on the council's car parking section of the website. We have also reactivated the Bike Bournemouth Facebook page to enable us to promote cycling generally.

Cycling Events & Local Access Fund Bid.

We have been liaising with the Arts by the Sea Festival team. They are keen to promote sustainable transport as part of the next festival and we are looking at potentially connecting walking and cycling with art. If anyone has any ideas of how we might do this, then please let us know.

We are considering holding some other form of cycling event. The scale of this event will be determined by the success of our Local Access Fund bid. The announcement of the winning bidders has been delayed and we now expected to hear about this in January.

6.2 Poole

Peter Wickett the Senior Walking & Cycling Officer for Poole gave the following Report:

Partnership working with Poole and Bournemouth

The Senior Walking and Cycling Officer for the Borough of Poole is currently spending one day a week at Bournemouth Town Hall. He's working closely with the Cycling Officer for Bournemouth Borough Council, giving assistance with cycling issues and projects, and updating the LTP3 Cycling strategy and action plans. A review of this partnership is due to take place early in 2017.

One of the first actions has been to supply members and senior officers of both local authorities with the Cycling UK's glossy publication, "Space for Cycling – a guide for decision-makers."

The draft LTP3 Cycling strategy of 2011 is being reviewed and updated with the intention of getting it formally adopted in 2017. As well as updates to census and other survey data, comments and feedback from the original consultation are being incorporated. As part of the action plan, a Strategic Cycle Network is being prepared for consultation; this should become the main resource for planning and delivering new cycling infrastructure.

Cycle parking in Poole town centre

The Bike bins have been replaced by Streetpods at all locations, with one new location added (opposite the Job Centre in Chapel Lane). The feedback has been positive, with just one complaint that has since been resolved. Use will be monitored during 2017 and further stands may be installed where required.

Poole to Bournemouth cycle route

The cycle map shows a quiet route that acts as an alternative to the promenade during July and August is. The current route runs between Sandbanks Road in Poole and Exeter Road in Bournemouth, with most of the Poole section coincident with NCN25.

The route is being reviewed and updated as a joint project, to improve route continuity and wayfinding. Consideration is being given to adding a spur that connects with the Sandbanks ferry. It's planned that the work will be complete before the restrictions commence next summer.

Hamworthy cycle routes

Plans for these routes, together with associated physical works and wayfinding, are now being finalised. The work is planned to take place in February and March 2017, subject to the outcome of the statutory process.

Ringwood Road

Resurfacing work on the B3068 (between Sea View Road and Old Wareham Road) is programmed in 2017/18, presenting a great opportunity for reconfiguring the roadspace. A very constructive workshop was completed at the last CLAG meeting (October 2016) where a preference for on-road cycle lanes in both directions was expressed. As much of the cost for that will be covered under the reinstatement of road markings, it's anticipated there will be surplus funding for improvements to the existing shared use facility on the east side of the road, and to complete the gap in cycle lanes between Sea View Road and Dorchester Road.

Gravel Hill

The Gravel Hill route has recently be reopened to all traffic. A new shared use route on the west side completes a very significant gap in the cycling network. Work has already started on investigating how the final link, between Queen Anne Drive and the Willet Arms, can be completed. This would open up a (nearly) continuous, traffic-free cycling route between Wimborne and Poole town centres.

Upton Country Park

The final touches are almost in place for a new shared use path along the Holes Bay shoreline, between Symes Road and Upton Bypass. Combined with the Hamworthy improvements above, this significantly improves the quality of a leisure circuit around Holes Bay.

A new cycle link along Poole Road is also proposed by Dorset CC. This will improve access to the Country Park from Upton Cross, providing new opportunities for traffic-free leisure and utility cycling.

Trial of “light segregation”

We are trying to identify one or more sites that may be suitable for trialling “light segregation.” There are several products available and we would be looking for existing cycle lanes where there is already a problem with regular encroachment by motor vehicles.

7. Improving Motorist’s Attitude to Cyclists

Rob Hammond from Dorset Police was unable to attend due to work commitments so it was decided to carry this forward to the next meeting. The presentation connected to this: ‘Give Space – Be Safe’ is attached with these minutes.

8. Cycle Forum Website

The Chair thanked Andy Graham for all his hard work in revamping the Forum website. AG asked everyone to review it and submit relevant articles/information to him for publication. Here’s the link to the website: <http://www.bournemouthcycleforum.co.uk/>

9. Cycling Events

There are currently no events planned but a number of ideas were discussed and it was agreed to work together in arranging some high profile events for 2017.

10. AOB

10.1 Network Planning:

It was suggested that Forum members carry out informal reviews of routes around the conurbation and highlight potential problems or improvements that can be made.

10.2 Working With Adjacent Councils

Several members have suggested that it would be beneficial to everyone if the Forum expanded to become a Bournemouth; Poole & Christchurch Cycling Forum. Currently there is close liaison with Poole but despite being approached in the past it has been difficult to connect with Christchurch.

10.3 West Central Development

JF raised concerns about the future of the existing cycle route adjacent to Bournemouth Gardens once the West Central development is complete. Cllr Green re-affirmed that the route will remain as a shared route. It was suggested that ground signs similar to those at the Pier Approach and entrance to the Lower Gardens be installed alongside the West Central development.

10.4 Clearing of Leaves from Cyclepaths.

Concern was raised about the clearing of leaves from road edges as this can be a hazard to cyclists. It was agreed that the Council will review their decisions.

11 Dates for Future Meetings:

Here are the dates for the 2017 meetings:
13th March; 12th June; 11th September & 11th December.
The March meeting will be the AGM