

Committee Meeting

23 June 2022 on Zoom

Notes of Meeting

Present: Meg Andrews (Chair), David Keighley, Neville Andrews, Mark Beswick, Sandi Kinkead, Andy Beecroft

Apologies: David Leigh

Item	Subject	Issues	Action by
1	Rides Programme	All rides had gone ahead as scheduled with only the occasional substitution of Ride Leader.	Neville
2	Treasurers Report	The balance in the account stands at £103,829. It appears from the balance sheet that we have not yet paid for the John Harvey Memorial Bench. No invoice has yet been received. David Leigh is now our Treasurer.	
3	Newsletter	The next edition would be in September	Meg
4	Kissing Gate Saga	We have still not received the promised draft protocol about usage of 'A' frames, kissing gates and other impedimenta on cycle routes from either Gary Blenkinsop or John Gallagher.	
5	John Harvey Memorial Bench	Now installed and hardstanding around the base provided. All that is now awaited is the plaque. Positive comments have been received.	David K Andy
6	Agbrigg-Oakenshaw Lane cycle path	Bedford House have started on the path and the material being used looks to be of a higher quality than we are used to (from WMDC). The work is going well. There is a need to clarify the proposed action relating to the large tree near the Oakenshaw Lane end of the path. The description board will need relocating as part of the work as will the infamous partly built kissing gate.	Meg David K

		<p>There will be an official opening ceremony on Friday 15 July with the leader of the Council at the Agbrigg Community Centre.</p> <p>There has been no response to our request for permission to provide an extra link along the disused canal to the existing circular track behind Agbrigg Road and Doncaster Road. To chase.</p> <p>This issue can also be raised at the WMDC Cycling Steering Group on 29 July.</p> <p>There is an urgent need to get WMDC to reduce potential for accidents at the Oakenshaw Lane end of the path with either a 30mph limit and/or a raised platform to calm traffic on Oakenshaw Lane.</p>	<p>All</p> <p>Mark</p> <p>Mark</p>
7	Agbrigg Cycling/Walking Event	<p>This is to be run Friday evening/Saturday/Sunday at the end of July (possibly 29,30, 31 July). The Forum could supply bikes and general promotion.</p> <p>Suggested that we take some child's bikes to the event plus a gazebo. Dan of Cycle Technology wishes to be involved</p>	David K
8	Workdays and workday equipment	<p>The next workday will be held on Wednesday 29 June commencing at 1100. Meet at the brickworks off Swine Lane. Work will be on the Nostell Estates path near the bridge under the Leeds-London main line.</p>	Andy
9	Bike Maintenance Courses	<p>The final course is to run on Saturday 25 June at Pugneys, 1000-1300.</p> <p>3 people are booked in so far so there are 2 vacancies.</p>	Neville

10	Forum Summer Events	<p>The main Nostell Holiday Wednesdays will be on 27 July, 3,10,17, 24 August.</p> <p>Volunteers are needed for all these events.</p> <p>Graham West, who is a resident of South Hiendley, will be running a Bike Doctor Session at South Hiendley Gala on 2 July. It was suggested that the Forum could also have a presence there. Items for our stall will have to be conveyed from Nostell to South Hiendley.</p> <p>Due to a lack of volunteers, we have had to say no to all other invitations to attend galas, etc.</p>	All
11	Cycle Hub Grants	<p>The West Yorkshire Combined Authority are issuing these worth £50,000 for each location. Applications must be in by 15 July. However, if an application is unsuccessful there will be a second round in 2023.</p> <p>The Castleford Heritage Trust are very interested in working with the Forum. A meeting to progress the application will be held on 28 June. The Trust's representative will be Lorna Malkin. The Trust will have to supply a member of staff to run the scheme as the Forum have limited resources. Any Forum bikes used will have to be chipped.</p> <p>Some concerns were expressed and Meg asked that they be raised with her. It would inadvisable to kick the scheme into touch simply because of the challenges it poses.</p> <p>Nostell was suggested as another possible hub but it was felt better to leave this suggestion until 2023.</p>	Meg All
12	Any other business:	<p><u>Wider audience for Forum meeting minutes:</u> From May 2022 onwards these minutes will appear on the Forum website.</p> <p><u>WMDC Logo Survey:</u> Members are urged to express an opinion on the suggestions for a new logo for "Cycling Wakefield".</p>	All

		<p><u>Signing:</u> Trevor Blackburn has indicated that there is funding for renewing signage. Also, the new Sustrans Manager wants to come and see what the Forum has provided in terms of infrastructure. Suggested that a group meet at 1000 on Thursday 7 July at Nostell to carry out an audit of current signage on both the WoW and the Wakefield Wheel.</p> <p><u>Thornes Park Events.</u> The dates are Thursday 4 and Thursday 18 August with sessions running from 1000 to 1500. Bikes may have to be transferred from Queens Mill, Nostell and Aspire, Pontefract. We will provide a skills course and use the running track for cycling. Cycle North will be involved. We are liaising with John Gallagher.</p> <p><u>Cycle UK:</u> Their use of the container at Thornes Park is causing concern. They will be spoken to.</p> <p><u>WMDC Parks Management Consultation:</u> Neville had attended that relating to Pontefract Park and David K had hoped to attend that relating to Thornes Park – currently postponed. Neville reported a very positive meeting with general improvements proposed to benefit cyclists and walkers.</p>	<p>David K Neville Andy</p> <p>David K</p> <p>David K</p>
13	Venue, date and time of next meeting	.1000 on Thursday 28 July at Pugneys.	All