Present at CSG meeting – September 1st 2017

- Council co-chair: Cllr Ian Wingfield, Southwark Council (CIlr W)
- Nominated co-chair: Andy Cawdell, Southwark Cyclists (AC)
- Eleanor Margolies, Southwark Cyclists (EM)
- Simon Castle – Met Police (SC)
- Elizabeth Eden, Southwark Cyclists (EE)
- Sophie Tyler, Better Bankside (ST)
- Maria Curro, Better Bankside (MC)
- Isabelle Clement, Wheels for Wellbeing (IC)
- Jeremy Leach, Southwark Living Streets (JL)
- Pete Wood – Researcher (PW)
- Amy Aeron-Thomas, Advocacy & Justice Manager (AAT)

- From Southwark:
  - Matthew Hill- Head of Highways (MH)
  - Ian Ransom – Consultant (IR)
  - Pip Howson- Team Leader – Transport Policy (PH)
  - Joanna Lesak- Project Manager (JLE)
  - Gary Douglas, Southwark Council - CSG Secretary/Coordinator: (GD)

Cycling Stakeholder Group - Minutes September 1st, 2017

Agenda Item 1 – Welcome and apologies – Cllr Wingfield

Agenda Item 2 – Adoption of minutes – agreed - Cllr Wingfield

Agenda Item 3 – Roundtable update (one/two minute update from each member) PW mentions Cycle Parking.

PW explains Field work undertaken in Southwark. PW explains that it’s about deciding the type of parking support and looking at more intensive parking in the Bankside area.

Different types of parking generate different types of journeys (e.g. underneath buildings: 10 mile journeys)

PH asks if Pete has looked at the impact of Dockless and states that it’s the right time for us to be considering good ideas.

PW states to Cllr W that if anyone has any good ideas on Dockless then we should let him know.

AC says we are clear that the companies running the schools are interested in the data but some are more ethical than others (sell on private data)
Agenda Item 4 - 20 miles per hour Implementation processes
Replacement times for speed calibration markings after resurfacing.

PH states that TfL are coming up with good practise and that it’s got to be enforceable with what we do.

AC highlights Dr Bike activities and states that he just swapped his once a month session at Dunton Road and adds that he is looking for premises and looking to replicate the Bike Lights project and needs premises.

PH states that she wants a brief and will circulate to appropriate people.

SC states that there are 32 boroughs and that we will go wherever. SC says that we have unmarked bicycles and Motorcycles in full consortium. SC explains what happens if motor cyclist goes out and decides to ride up and down. If a vehicle goes close to a cyclist, a flashing motor cycle will come out and tell the driver about close passing.

SC explains that the police are up on Twitter and goes on to say that if there are any issues, people can tweet. SC also mentions police using speed guns

SC also explains that PCSO’s have power to deal with cyclists that go through red traffic lights. Now PCSO’s have been given the power to stop.

7th November 2017, Wheels for Wellbeing announce that there will be a first ever conference looking at Public Health, acceleration action plan.

It’s also announced that Alex Ingram, well known campaigner is now working for Wheels for Wellbeing.

JL says well done to Southwark for the junction on Union Street. JL says ‘Looks absolutely amazing’.

AC says Brenchley Gardens has maintenance issues.

Cllr W states that we will have a revue of 20mph arrangement of a road block 63 bus route.

Cllr W asks have we been looking at everything to do with driver behaviour. GLA just published findings on non traffic accidents. Cllr W states Southwark are putting together lobby group with other boroughs to sit at the round table.

PH says there is a pool of buses now being involved in accidents.

PH highlights enhancing times. PH says Signage is a big issue and highlighted that Sometimes trees obstruct signs.

PH says it’s hard to enforce 20 mph and states that it is important when people change their driving habits naturally. PH states she would like it to be 10 mph around schools.
Agenda Item 5: LIVABLE NEIGHBOURHOODS - what it means and where we are?

PH says the strategic outlook is by 2041 20 percent of journeys should to conducted on foot or by cycle. For the first bid PH says we are likely to put one in concerning bus timetables. PH adds that we want to find a location that is deliverable. PH says we know 33 boroughs will be putting in an application. Ten to be granted in the first five years.

PH explains that with major schemes we have done okay getting through the first hurdles. PH says that we are interested in building in a behavioural change element.

PH says we have agreed to do the first round of Beat the Streets. With this PH says we want to build a legacy for good behaviour. How it can be an inclusive strategy. It’s not just about the schools. If everybody is already educated on Beat the Streets, the idea is that we imbed it in the culture. It gives us a great stakeholder list.

PH says we want Liveable Neighbourhoods to be healthy and that we are interested in training officers for this. PH adds that we are interested in CSG locations for Liveable Streets. PH states that we will be the ones to choose the first Liveable Streets and doesn’t want Cycling Stakeholder group to feel that we are ignoring their views.

PH says we will be looking at a steering group to decide the first one and one of the CSG’s will be a part of it. PH adds that we are now asking all developers to look at how they make a healthy review.

AC states that he would like to make a bid for Dulwich Village, Bellenden and sorting out Gyratory somewhere in Walworth.

AC says we are looking at the South end of Walworth. He says we believe it’s the most deliverable. AC says all the things we have tried to do down there have not got through consultation. Need specialist kind of activity to engage.

AC asks what’s happening in Camberwell Green? – AC says we’ve taken four years to get nowhere. AC adds that TfL never came to the table as one. AC also says we have told TfL we expect them to go back there and we would then like them to show where their priority is for doing this.

Cllr W had a meeting with the senior director for Service Transport. Cllr W says he won’t leave it alone.

EM would like to see what and where our projects are happening and what stage they are at.

PW mentions Artichoke Place. There will be lots of traffic at Artichoke Place and the crossing from Love Walk.
JL says David McKenna will respond from TfL.

PW asks what type of encouragement is needed from us or what could we do to help Southwark?

PH says we have booked a meeting for engagement for Walworth and says we would ask for CSG’s support as a group. PH adds we will have a meeting to decide what is the minimum stakeholder requirement.

PW says when you know then you should let us know and we will get back to the community.

**Agenda Item 6 - Presentation on CS4 Programme by Ian Ransom**

IR: What's happening over the month? The route consultation goes live on 18th September 2017 (post meeting note this was delayed a couple of weeks). The Lower Rd section will not be included in the consultation as it forms part of the Strategic Modelling we are carrying out for the Canada Water Development. We are looking at links to the proposed pedestrian and cycle crossing too. We anticipate we will be having something coming up over the next year.

CS 4 starts at Tower Bridge Road and extends to Greenwich.

PH says it’s quite narrow roads around there.

IR explains what the CS4 is and where it will go.

PW asks when will the consultation launch and how long we will have to respond.

EE says very pleased to know Southwark Cyclists will be protected.

JL asks if IR is supportive of proposals for CS4.

IR says like all these things there are negative elements.

Cllr W adds that we are for it but the knock on effect will not be good for streets around there.

JL says the congestion zone is very small and asks if someone else is to rule about wider congestion charging?

Cllr W says we are in constant conversation with the Mayor’s Office and that it’s an area of the budget undergoing significant change.

IR says part of the reason we are not at the same stage is that we are doing strategic modelling i.e.: Do you Toll the Rotherhithe Tunnel because of Silverstorm. We will Model the Congestion Charge to see the effects on its extension.
Agenda Item 7: Kerbside Strategy Updates –

PH says we are hopeful we will have an adoptable model soon. PH adds that we have a recruitment issue and that we will get a position statement soon.

Agenda Item 8: - A presentation by Joanna Lesak, Project Manager

Peckham Rye to Dulwich Quietway update, Abbey Street Quietway update (including kissing gate at Gomm Road), Cycle Grid 2 Route Delivery Plan (RDP)-St George’s Circus Quietway

Joanna Lesak talks about the Abbey Street Quietway route. JLE highlighted Modelling close on CS4. JLE states Southwark has identified some traffic management issues. Council wants to make sure that we address Some of the issues before progressing the Abbey Street Quietway (non-TfL funded).

Parks has commissioned an independent equality study at the kissing gate. Officers and the consultant met with Friends of the Park. Cyclists were coming through at high speed. Visually impaired person was knocked down and dragged which instigated the installation of the gates. JLE says Council wants to enable all vulnerable users to use the gate.

JLE highlighted the proposal for the concept design at Peckham Rye to Dulwich Quietway;

JLE says we are looking at proposing more crossings and that we are looking at making junctions safer at Lordship Lane/Barry Road and Barry Road/Etherow Street. What are our constraints? Bus Stop/Stands? Strategic Road network?

JLE says we need to liaise with TfL in regards to buses and for the traffic modelling.

Agenda Item 9: Update on Traffic law Enforcement including 20 mph and the Scoping Report

MH: 20 mph went live in March 2015. Southwark Highways looked at 18 months worth of collision data as well as before and after speed data. There was slight change in the amount of collisions at 771.

Serious injury accidents have fallen to 87. Down from 89

Matt offers data to the group

AC asks if Matt has parallel speed data.
Speed data has fallen from 1 plus 2 mph although more on the high priority roads (3mph).

SC explains how the MET carry out speed gun enforcement. SC says we will only stop motorists going over 30mph.

JL says vehicles should be stopped at 20mph.

PH states that it is behaviour change that is needed. Drivers taking responsibility on the public highway is needed.

JL asks about speed cameras and calibration

Cllr W says we can check this?

AC says that because speeds haven’t fallen, casualties haven’t fallen

MH says if speeds falls, the severity of casualties falls.

Cllr W says that we have requested a review

JL adds that there was a whole lot of money set aside.

MH looked at speed of collisions and looked at physical measures to deal with roads. MH states that we are going through a final list at the moment and will be briefing Councillor Wingfield on this list of roads including Benchley Gardens, Sydenham Hill and others.

**Agenda Item 10 - Mayor's Transport strategy update**

PH says we are still preparing our responses and that we are looking at healthy Streets encouraging people to respond independently.

PW asks to be copied in when consultation is sent

AC says that he has had some issues on Temporary management. AC asks that Southwark put in directions when closing roads.

Cllr W says it’s not for Albany Rd and explains that we have had a rush of road works that appear not to be paying attention to cyclists.

PH adds that we did a travel initiative with TfL on anti idling.

EM asks what is the Traffic Management doing regarding our own fleet, scooters. EM adds where scooters are using the pavement, how is the police tackling this problem?
EE states that delivery companies are using cut throughs for deliveries.

EE asks if it is possible to have on the spot enforcement.

SC says we will deal with offenders as we see it.

EE says we've had large numbers of complaints

SC says you can call 101 or use Twitter.

PH says we've been looking at a programme which encourages Take Away companies to get their people qualified. PH adds we have been encouraging people to police themselves

**Agenda Item 11** – GD highlights TFL grants - Funding schemes for hard to reach groups.

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