

Minutes from GoBike AGM, 17 November 2018

Collabor8te, 22 Montrose Street, Glasgow

Item No	Item	Action
1	<p>Present: GoBike CoConvenors: Iona Shepherd (IS), David Brennan (DB). Committee members: Tricia Fort (PF), Peter Hayman (PH), Jeremy Stevenson (JS), Joel Cooney (JC), John Donnelly (JD), Calum Cook (CC), Brenda Lillcrap (BL), Rachel McGuire (RM) .</p> <p>Guest speakers: Paul Gasson – Waltham Forest Cycling Campaign Sally Hinchcliffe – Cycling Dumfries.</p>	
2	<p>Approval of Minutes from AGM 09 November 2017 The minutes of last year’s meeting were accepted as a true record.</p> <p>Approval of Treasurer’s Report, accounts etc prepared by John Donnelly. Accounts to be sent to Fergus Duncanson for examination.</p>	<p>Accepted Alastair McD/RM</p> <p>Approved PF/DB</p>
3	<p>Convenor’s Report (IS) - Review of the Year GoBike cannot go alone. Acknowledge support from Anna Richardson and her work at GCC. Look forward to building working relations in East Renfrewshire / S. Lanarkshire.</p> <p>Activities</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Monthly bike rides – thanks to Andy Preece. • Social movement – social media action on cycling issues • Consultations <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Thanks to PF for work on (Consultations) Digest ○ Wide range of member interest coordinated on Slack Byres Rd / St Margaret Drive / Spiers Bridge / Auldhouse Roundabout Battlefields / Avenues / Traffic calming • Active travel forum • Campaigns – <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Councillor tours ○ Builder’s tea break ○ George Square ○ #paintisnotprotection ○ #glasgowcycleinfraday ○ #iloh ○ Car free days • Mini-campaigns <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Space4people Byres Road ○ Friends of BearsWay ○ South City way Friends 	

4	<p>Committee election</p> <p>Iona Shepherd John Donnelly Joel Cooney Jeremy Stevenson Tricia Fort Peter Hayman Brenda Lillicrap Callum Cook Rachel McGuire</p> <p>Moves</p> <p>David Brennan – stepping down</p> <p>Alastair McDonald, Pat Toms and Jim Ewing – stepped down previously</p> <p>John Donnelly to become CoConvenor</p> <p>Joel Cooney to be Treasurer</p> <p>Members 2017-2018: 135 to 185 FB followers: 637 to 782 Twitter: 1198 to 1753 Slack members: 29 to 69</p>	<p>Proposed Bob Downie</p> <p>Seconded George (Allison)</p>
4	<p>Awards:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • JD thanks Iona for all work done over year • Lifetime Achievement – Andy Preece • Outstanding hard work and dedication – Patricia Fort • Tenacity and determination – Peter Hayman • Best campaign – Space4people Byres Road – Euan Muir and Iain Longstaff accept on behalf of team 	
5	<p>Guest speakers</p> <p>Sally Hinchcliffe (SH) – Cycling Dumfries Also set Cycling Embassy of GB – pressure group for infrastructure – aim to create better conditions for cyclists inspired by Amsterdam model. Different conditions in rural Dumfries. Set up Bike Breakfast – visited by councillors Influencing – 12 councillors on tour – engaging in local elections</p> <p>Complaining</p> <p>Building a community – rides (for all levels) / Critical mass / Pirate rides (include home baking) / Bike portraits Building partnerships – with council – Bike buddies / bought 20 accessible bikes</p> <p>Joined in #iloh / POP / Walk, cycle, vote Campaigning against illegal parking – take over spaces What’s Next – having fun – building capacity</p>	

	<p>Paul Gasson (PG)– Waltham Forest Cycling Campaign, Greater London</p> <p>30 years of campaigning</p> <p>Mini Holland project – awarded funding from TfL</p> <p>Problems – road danger / congestion / obesity / air pollution/</p> <p>Climate change – reduce carbon through ACTIVE TRANSPORT and creating better conditions on the street:</p> <p>Close rat-runs / young can't play in streets / asthma</p> <p>Awarded £35 million to create active travel corridors / low traffic neighbourhoods / cycle hubs – parking, cycle hire / cycle maintenance</p> <p>Local rides / planting on streets</p> <p>Change behaviour: less stress</p> <p>Team of 25</p> <p>Actions: Build collaborations</p> <p>Look for positives</p> <p>Be consistent</p> <p>Use inclusive language</p> <p>Use data</p> <p>Don't be the shouty man</p>	
6	Q and A	
DB	<p>What to do about business opposition to Byres Rd</p> <p>Paul G – people and councils scared change – loss of parking space / businesses don't want to annoy customers – use soft approach</p> <p>Sally H – connect with retailers</p> <p>PG – car free streets get more people in and less empty shops</p> <p>JC – use statistics to show positives from proposed change to streets</p> <p>PG – need to challenge misconceptions</p>	
PF	<p>Slide 5 of PG presentation needs increased life expectancy made clearer? Is that right</p> <p>PG – healthy lives give longer lives – he used TfL figures</p>	
Ian L	<p>How quick can change happen?.</p> <p>PG – need to join up council groups (roads/parks/planners/sports/health?)</p> <p>SH / PG – cycles and walk lanes need to be joined up – no boundaries (or dead ends)</p>	
Euan M	<p>How best to give feedback from consultation</p> <p>tech speak v personal experience</p> <p>SH – use the question – 'What would the weins do? Cuts through jargon. Even councillors representing local people or business people can see everyone will want to protect the children</p> <p>Car owners do not want to get run over when shopping</p>	
Alistair M	<p>Aim is not to get drawn into argument</p> <p>PG – angry arguing does not change minds – use understand</p>	
Pat T	<p>On street parking? Has any more off street parking been provided?</p> <p>PG – Both on and off street parking has declined gradually over time. As blocked roads had made it easier and safer to walk</p>	
BL	<p>Feedback from RNIB? Any floating bus stops?</p> <p>PG – late engagement</p>	

	Use same solution around area – be consistent. May not be totally accessible but will be easier to negotiate.
Pat T	Is the area 20 MPH? PG - mostly
RM	Prioritise cyclist v better environment PG – aim campaign as better for all – gives better chance of success, not just niche cyclists and becomes better environment – less clash with cyclists
Dave H	Use of public cycle hire? SH – cycle hire not a success in Dumfries DH – previous planning where shops under houses made city centres dead in evening. PG – coordinate and filter access to shots SH – keep cars out of high street – community want people back in high street DB – newer changes to inner city to promote as entertainment centres / venues / social destinations – do not want to keep look out from cars running you over.
Thanks to all (50+) attendees Thanks for comfortable meeting venue(Collabor8te)	

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