



Minutes of meeting held on Tuesday 8th September 2020 @ 18.45 via Zoom

Introductions and Attendance: Chair: Patrick Milroy (PM), Steve Pemberton (SP), Tom Stockton, Ashley McCraight (AMc), Peter. Duffy (PD), Allan Arthur (AA).

Apologies: Betty Grieve, Sharon Marshall, Lucy Sumner Patrick. Eakin (PE), Sharon Marshall (SM)


Minutes : of the previous meeting on 14th July 2020 were approved.

For information : The initials of CWAC Officers involved in Item 6 (Marshes) are : Peter Atkinson (PA), Sharon Marshall (SM), Adele Mayer (AMa), Lydia Orford (LO) and Gaynor Roberts (GR).

No	Topic	Sub-topic	Background from previous minutes	Current status @ 8.09.20	Action needed	Who
1	Sustrans	Future Vision	Greenway extension and Helsby to Mouldsworth link Now in Future Vision. Awaiting feedback from Sustrans on their plans.	Waiting to find out when "Future Vision" is to be public knowledge. Done : Paul Bruffell emailed - <i>in the 'New year'</i> .	Jan 2021 is planned date for release. AM to ask ~Is there anything we can do to help?" i.e. any actions	AMc
		Active Travel Forum	The programme is headed by Ian Ashworth and coordinated by Lydia Orford. Expecting LCWIP publication to be deferred. Last meeting missed, next in April. Agenda items on 1 Surfaces 2 e bikes have been suggested by CNC	Meeting due September 22nd	SP/AMC to act in concert with CCC to push for a collaborative engagement	SP AMc
2	Active Travel Forum & LCWIP	2a LCWIP (Greenway extension)	The LCWIP draft plan gives CNC all that we have been campaigning for. On the basis that LCWIP will contain the path, SP is pushing forward with a plan to develop the concept to a budget ready plan	A. AA update 12.05.20 re E bikes for information only. AA has introduced Lydia Orford to the Conway e-bike scheme & discussed, prior to lockdown, the possibility of a joint visit to see the scheme in action.	Road surfaces to be driven as an AT issue, alongside CCC. Waiting dialogue with Sean Traynor. EBikes- postponed	SP AA
		2b Helsby High School	Survey completed. Survey analysis confirms a big appetite for better facilities.	1. LCWIP has been passed to incorporate all CNCs objectives, (except the link from	SP summarising community inputs and	SP/

			Survey completed in Jan and issued by email. James Cooney thanked. Many examples of unsafe locations specified. e.g. o/s St Pauls Church, Helsby, Howey Lane. Included in model of local Resident's requirements (attached). Strong supportive data showing high potential for (4x) more cycling fed into Lucy Low & Jamie Mathews by SP	Helsby to J14 M56) This HHS survey feedback has been fed into the Metre by metre 'Local Residents Requirements Specification' completed. See above.	to check with Sean Traynor prior to seeking MCBF funding for a Feasibility Study	TS/ PD
						MW
		2c Proposed Weaver Valley route.	14.11.18. Cllr. Lynn Riley is the sponsor of the Mersey Forest report titled an 'Environmental strategy for Frodsham'. Clare Olver advised the meeting that this concept recommends a tarmaced path, is one of a number of potential improvement projects in the plan. She advised that Mersey Forest could not lead a project but saw either, FTC, CWAC or Sustrans as being potential leaders with CNC support. Potential funding might come from the Peel Holdings Wind Farm fund.		Not discussed	
3	Mersey Forest Plan	Cycle parking @ Halton	29.01.19. Halton Borough Council has consulted NCRUG re ; new cycle parking options at Runcorn East. Whilst DfT grants go to operators in England and TFW is ineligible, MW said they still plan to complete upgrades by 2024.	AA update 12.05.20. For information only. Prior to the lockdown Mark and I had a meeting arranged with the Canal and River Trust to discuss the possibility of such a cycle route. They are keen to reconvene the meeting after lockdown.	Not discussed	
4	North Cheshire Rail Users Group	Cycle parking @ Frodsham & Helsby	Transport for Wales, (TfW), have a significant fund set aside for station upgrades and NCRUG will be lobbying for Frodsham and Helsby to get their share of funds.	All stands now installed at Frodsham station. Network rail applying for cages? PD to pursue cycle parking at Helsby station.	Not discussed	MW/P D
5	Road surfaces	Potholes : reporting	Experience has shown that CWAC's Highways Dept. respond quite promptly to specific requests to fill them. Action from 14.11.18 was to try to encourage more reporting by creating an A4	AA update 12.05.20. Currently CNC members are requested to report potholes direct to CWaC. We need a	See Active Travel action above	SP

			handout	campaign like 'Cheshire roads to be proud of', thereby bringing to Press and CWaC attention those roads, including potholes, which are a disgrace. SP & AMC agree!		
6	Marshes	BICC : Shared use cycle footway alongside A56	SM reported: Adele (CWAC's PROW Asset Managem't Officer) is reviewing the consultation & survey information and options to prevent illegal motor vehicles accessing & reduce antisocial behaviour.	08.09.20 Update of Project Plan emailed on 20.08.20. Progress is being made but understandably slowly due to the demands of Covid on CWaC personnel.	<p>Note : CWaC actions via SM</p> <p>Project Plan : AMc – Drafted</p> <p>Actions for CWaC:</p> <p>Signage</p> <p>SM</p> <p>i) Photos to AMc</p> <p>ii) Installation budget OK?</p> <p>Bollards</p> <p>i) AMa : obtain quotes</p> <p>ii) AMa: to raise TROs</p> <p>Cost of regrading</p> <p>i) AM – Km PROW?</p> <p>ii) PA to ring AMc re standard of surface</p> <p>Land ownership</p> <p>) SM – ask Planning</p> <p>ii) NS ask RSK</p> <p>iii) Back- up – via Peel</p> <p>Funding applications</p> <p>i) CNC- NS & AMc</p> <p>ii) target MCBF etc. by 12/20</p>	SM AMc & NS
7	Planning Applications		DT reported (11.11.18) that the new developer (Trafford Housing Trust) was receptive to the idea that they can incorporate a shared use cycle footway along the front of this development at no cost. For continuity, it is important that it needs to start at the junction of Robin Hood Lane & the A56. New application for redevelopment of Honeywell site in Helsby. PD advised they are already positioned to raise cycling and walking issues. The Elton traffic movements do not come under	<p>14/7/20.</p> <p>1. Honeywell site. Update from PD. The developer's proposals are for 248 houses. An HPC review shows a number of major local needs will be not be met. e.g. schools, GP access. HPC to raise with CWAC Planner, once one has been appointed. HPC will take account of LCWIP & feeder links using similar standard to that used on the Tesco</p>	<p>1. PD reported a positive outlook for a cycling route at the site with a potential link via Heat Trace.</p> <p>2. Elton. Update welcome from PD, DT or DW</p>	PD & DT

			CIL/S106. constraints: although Elton is due for a complete review which will include cycling & walking amongst a plethora of other issues. 10 .03.20 DW to monitor Elton. Discuss with the local MP, Justin Madders (Labour) who is also the Shadow Health spokesperson.	development of 218 houses. 2. Elton: No update yet. This is important.	3. Helsby specific inputs to be chased by SP	
8	Publicity	Newsletter	MW & AMC are members of the team which is currently drafting the plan which includes policies relating to cycling & walking. (C & Accessibility). 14.1.20 The Plan will not be published for several months. No further discussion at the meeting. Share with CNC when relevant aspects of the Plan are available	One completed recently. 12.05.20. AMC suggestion discuss options to help people ride more during lockdown	The Chair requested one at there is a lot happening.	NS
9	FTC	Frodsham Neighbourhood Plan	<p>AMC showed signs spotted in Cumbria used by Cumbria Police.</p>  <p>Potential AT agenda item? Madeleine McCraight arranged a constructive meeting with PCSO Neil Flanagan & AMC on 16th March. Emailed notes of meeting attached. Action for AMC to find out how much signs cost to install.</p>	AMC update 12.05.20. For information only. No update available from FTC	22/9 AT forum to convene CWaC group to make a response. Inputs sought	SP
10	Safe passing distance	Highway code	2nd Edition of Frodsham & Ist Helsby issued 2018. 20.1.20. 1 box of Helsby maps was available. David Temple made an application in January.		22/9 Significant interest growing and Cheshire Police apparently about to mount a campaign CNC to support via publicity when its gone public Facebook & website	AMC

11	Cycle maps	Stock levels	2nd Edition of Frodsham & Ist Helsby issued 2018. 20.1.20. 1 box of Helsby maps was available. David Temple made an application in January.	12.05.20 No update from DT yet	Not discussed	DT
12	Social ride & BBQ				Thanks to Allan & Ann for a lovely event	AA
13	Constitution AGM	AGM	See minutes of AGM	See minutes of AGM, meeting to appoint a deputy chair to succeed PM when he retires as Chair, next November. 12.05.20 update. To be discussed at May meeting, minutes to go on website when approved.	SP was unanimously appointed Deputy Chair w.e.f. 12.05.20.	PM
14	The Rural Development Programme for England (RDPE)	Possible Grants	Possible Grants of up to £175k available for suitable projects, (potential funds for Helsby – Mouldsworth path?) Waiting for LCWIP to be pursued and then seek opportunities. (Health Authority) for the March meeting.	None.	None for 12.05.20	SP
15	Chester Air Quality	CWAC 2020-22 Action Plan	Ashley has drafted and then developed a joint input from CNC, CCC and Cycling UK. It is an excellent piece of work. The CNC /CCC/Cycling UK joint response was issued as part of the consultation. After a meeting the Lead Scientific Officer (Martin Doyle) at a 'Drop in session', AMC issued a follow-up response on 17/2. AMC issued a personal follow-up response on 17/2 and also sent two questions to the West Cheshire Clinical Commissioning Group (Health Authority) for the March meeting.	AMC Update 12.05.20. For information only. CCG confirmed on 16 April that they were not consulted. AMC has submitted three follow up questions for May 22 meeting. i.e. 1. Should they have been consulted? 2. What is CCGs reaction to plan which ignores health outcomes? 3. What is the CCG's reaction to evidence that air pollution leads to higher Covid death rates?	To be elevated with Director of Public health	AMC

16	A533 Murdishaw bridge	Safe transit of cyclists	Highways England, Halton BC, Sustrans and CNC inputting suggestions	Mark Warren is acting for CNC and has submitted a proposal for discussion	MW to update group	SP/M W
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AOB and new actions

1. Neither CNC nor HPC have received responses from Cllr. Paul Bowers to a number of written communications.
SP to try to get a response via Simon Brown and **PD** on behalf of HPC.
- 2 **PM** to write to Cllr. Karen Shore in support of CWaC and its pop up scheme with Covid funds to encourage them not to lose direction.
- 3 Domain name renewal **SP** will pay and seek donations via **NS** to re-coup the costs.
- 4 Website AMC seeks input on how we can develop a better web presence, content and images needed. **From everyone please.**
- 5 LCWIP feedback to community on consultation & outcomes for publication in Frodsham Life, copy to PD for Helsby Newsletter, perhaps ref local councillors and Mike Amesbury? **SP**

Next meetings : AGM & Operational meeting : Tuesday 10th November.

Note : Decision required : Face to face (if so – where) or Zoom : **Action PM/SP**