



Minutes of meeting held on 26th April 2022 via Zoom

- Introductions and Attendance:** Steve Pemberton (SP), John Edwards (JE), Patrick Milroy (PM),
- Apologies:** Sarah Temple (ST), Nick Sljvic (NS), Ashley McCraight (AM), Andy Chappell (AC)
- Minutes:** Previous meeting of 26th February were approved
- AOB:** JE suggested BBQ at next meeting, need suggestions re location etc. SP will have a think.
- Next meeting2:** 18:45 9th June (date will be changed as SP away, SP to advise), followed by 6th September and 8th November (AGM?)

#	Topic	Background and Latest status	Action Needed	Who
1	Integrated Sustainable Taskforce (ISTT) (previously Active Travel Forum)	<p>Background: The purpose of the 'ISST' is to enable CWaC to consult a diverse group of engaged members who will provide feedback in respect of projects that the council decides to pursue. Formed from 3 separate groups including the Active Travel Forum. The ISST leader is Rose McArthur.</p> <p>Latest (Apr): Previously made representation to Cllr Shaw (and hierarchy) that Active Travel Forum was now a talking shop hence creation of ISTT. Same issues with no structure, no outcomes. SP has agreed to collaborate with other groups to put pressure on the council to get some more positive outcomes. New director of transport has only been in the role for 6 months and is recruiting a new team so treading carefully is sensible. PM suggested sending a timeline of action/inaction. SP suggested doing this with two other organisations Cycling UK and Chester Cycling Campaign. Proposal to link Warrington ISTT with Cheshire ISTT as sub-group, but SP thinks this would dilute things even further.</p>	Apr: Agreed SP would contact Cycling UK and Chester Cycling Campaign and co-author a timeline/letter explaining concerns over lack of action / outcomes within ISTT.	SP AMc
2.	Road Surfaces - Pothole Reporting	<p>Background: Experience has shown that CWAC's Highways Dept. respond quite promptly to specific requests to fill them. However they need to pass a criteria which doesn't take account of cyclists needs</p> <p>Feb Latest: The subject has been feedback as part of the ISST as a working group item.</p> <p>CNC members are encouraged to report as many potholes as possible using the report-it app https://www.cheshirewestandchester.gov.uk/residents/contact-us/report-it-app.aspx</p>	Apr: No action required but this is an example of the inaction happening through ISTT.	All

3.	Planning Applications	<p>Background: CNC monitor planning applications to ensure they meet requirements of Active Travel design and establish whether any S106/CIL monies can be obtained to further our objectives.</p> <p>Latest Helsby: No input from Peter D</p> <p>Feb Latest Frodsham: Moor Lane – Lucy S will keep an eye out for any re-applications.</p>	Apr: Losing Peter Duffy is a loss to the group on this matter. SP will drop a note to Sarah Temple (Helsby Councillor) to see if she could step into PD shoes on planning ... please.	SP
4.	Publicity	<p>Background: CNC look to make people aware of its work and key issues via it web site and Facebook pages. Encouraging more volunteers and driving forwards the CNC agenda.</p> <p>Feb Latest: Commercial business are using the CNC Facebook page to promote their business. It seems only fair that these business also promote CNC where appropriate.</p>	Apr: No action	MS
5.	Cycle Maps	<p>Background: CNC have produced printed maps of local cycle routes in Frodsham and Helsby area. Which are also available on the CNC web site. These receive positive feedback.</p> <p>Feb Latest: The high resolution maps struggle to be downloaded from the CNC web site</p>	Apr: No action but positive feedback from all.	SP / AMc
6.	Chester Air Quality	<p>Background: CNC provided input to the consultation request from CWaC</p> <p>Feb Latest: ?</p>	Apr: No action but return to next meeting	AMc

7.	A533 Murdishaw Bridge - Safe Transit of Cyclists	<p>Background: CNC want to ensure the redevelopment of the A533 Murdishaw bridge has provision for safe cycling.</p> <p>Feb Latest: Still awaiting confirmation that the propped Toucan crossing is within the scope of the scheme which commences soon</p>	Apr: Email from Martin, feels like we are at the end of the line with this project in terms of a cycle lane but retain as action as it may come live again.	MW
8.	Frodsham summer Event 2021	<p>Background: CNC held 2 sessions in 2021 at Saltworks and Castle Park. These were very well received.</p> <p>Feb Latest: Follow up next meeting</p> <p>Apr Latest: We have been invited to have a stand at two Jubilee events, probably only got enough people / energy to support one.</p>	AMc to suggest if this is the right course of action.	AMc
9.	Kelfest	<p>Background: Kelfest Event 11th September. Aim is to take lots of people riding round Cheshire with multiple groups.</p>	Interested, share on CNC Facebook	JE
10.	Shovel Ready projects	<p>Background: MW produced an excellent report on potential shovel ready cycling projects. 2 are being taken forward. A56 to Ship Street link and Mouldsworth-Helsby video link (see Helsby-Mouldsworth item below)</p> <p>Feb Latest: No progress – follow up next meeting</p>	If Chris Copeman isn't there then FW and Jim Gaves will have to do the walk on their own.	SP FW SP

11.	Social Impact Pro Forma	<p>Background: JE mentioned a social impact pro forma he uses at Sellafield and suggested it could be used to focus our efforts.</p> <p>Feb Latest: A group of CNC members tried out the tool on some existing CNC activities and it provided a useful confirmation. The proposal is to use the tool as a filtering mechanism for new ideas</p> <p>Apr latest: Keep as action to review against new projects but hold for now.</p>	No action required	SP
12.	Covid T2 project - Helsby High School	<p>Background: CWaC have now started work on the upgrade of the shared use path between Frodsham and Helsby.</p> <p>Feb Latest: CNC to look to see if we can get publicity with any planned opening events.</p> <p>Apr Latest: SP suggested to CWAC we should celebrate success, MP will want photo opportunity, might be good CNC publicity to be associated with this. Has raised with CWAC, waiting for a response.</p>	No action required	AMc LS, PE
13	Helsby Cycle Route	<p>Background: CNC have successfully used CWaC Spacehive crowd funding site to fund a study of a cycle route from Helsby High school to Tesco</p> <p>Feb Latest: Sustrans have indicated the study can start in April but don't have an end date.</p> <p>Apr: SP has written to donors to thanks and give update. No poster or publication yet. SPM being appointed by end of June (email from Sustrans) – creating working group with CNC, Sustrans, Parish Councillor, and CWAC to support Sustrans in the deliver of this project.</p>	<p>AMc to draft a poster and arrange publication of “What Happens Next” (Rolled over from Feb)</p> <p>No other action required.</p>	SP AMc

14	Frodsham Cycle Route	<p>Background: CNC have the ambition to extend the cycle route from items 14 & 15 through Frodsham. This is on hold until the results of the Helsby route project (15) is clearer</p> <p>Latest: May be superseded by the FTC commissioned study by WSP</p> <p>The HyNet project proposes a pipeline through the Frodsham area. This may be a source of potential funding for a Frodsham route study</p> <p>Apr: No update</p>	NS to investigate the HyNet project	NS
15.	Helsby-Mouldsworth	<p>Background: SP stated that this has now become a core Sustrans project, which is a big advantage (hence standalone item rather than inclusion with shovel ready project)</p> <p>Previous action: JG video dependent on Chris Copeman availability. Meeting w/c 16/5 with Network Rail, CNC, and Sustrans (CWAC have been invited) – SP will attend on our behalf with PM as deputy as req for limited numbers. Sustrans project so keen to let them lead it.</p>	<p>If Chris Copeman isn't there then FW and Jim Gaves will have to do the walk on their own.</p> <p>SP and PM to attend meeting</p>	SP FW SP
16.	Frodsham Town Council	SP said that FTC want to set up an active life working group. Patrick Eakin, Lucy Sumner and others are now on a working group to try and change public behaviour into walking and cycling rather than driving. SP noted that we are in a support role not a leading role.	Watching brief	SP LS PE
Retired Topics				
	Marshes	<p>Background: The byways through the Frodsham Marshes, which includes the National Cycle Route 5 (NC5) are badly degraded. CNC have been unable to establish who is responsible for maintaining these byways. Tim Hollins from Sustrans is picking up the case.</p>		

		<p>Latest: Sustrans view is that CWaC have no appetite of budget for this as other issues until they have dealt with other higher priority issues. CNC will comment on the state of the byways and report to CWaC but are not optimistic of any action.</p> <p>CNC will continue to support Sustrans but suspending this topic</p>		
	FTC - Local Neighborhood plan	<p>Background: Each town council has to develop and maintain a neighborhood plan. CNC engage in this process for the transport section.</p> <p>Latest : The plan was waiting on an external event, this has now occurred and the draft will be finalized this week.</p> <p>CNC suspending focus on Local Neighborhood plan to focus on LCWIP around Frodsham</p>		
	Highway Code - Safe passing distance	<p>Background: CNC to promote the awareness and enforcement of the safe passing distance in the Highway Code. Cheshire Police have now run local events with more planned in 2022</p> <p>Latest: Moving this topic into the ISST with the ISST leader looking for ideas on promoting the recent changes to the Highway Code.</p>		

