

Minutes of MVCF Meeting, Thursday January 21st 2016,

Park House, Leatherhead

Present: Ron Billard (RB) [Chair], Mike Ward (MW) [Leatherhead], Julia Dickinson (JD) [Bookham/Effingham], Rod Shaw [MVDC], Peter Mayor [Leatherhead], Eric Palmer (EP) [Leatherhead], John Cohen (JC) [Dorking], Cllr Howard Jones [Executive member - Town Centres], Bob Ball (BB) [Sustrans], Roger Troughton (RT) [Secretary], Paul Tunnel (PT) [British Racing, Addiscombe CC]

1. Apologies

Chris Law (CL) [Surrey Police], Cllr Corinna Osborne-Patterson (COP) [Exec Member for Cycling & Rural Economies], Lucy O'Connell (LO) [MVDC]

2. Matters Arising, Outstanding Actions not covered elsewhere

RB raised the Headley Road surface issues near Tyrell's Wood at the Local Committee where Cty Cllr Tim Hall asked Surrey Highways to look into the matter.

RB attended the inaugural Surrey Cycle Forum back in November – sort of useful, but nothing significant to feedback.

3. Police Issues; Road Casualties

Cycling incidents logged from 23/10/15 – 19/01/2016 are listed below:

23/10/15 19:19:04 KINGSTON RD LEATHERHEAD_NORTH LTHD	NEAR D'ABERNON FARM. CAR VS CYCLIST. LEG AND ARM INJURY – ARB COMPLETED , SLIGHT INJURY
04/11/15 08:51:17 A24/COLES LN CAPEL DORK	CAR V CYCLIST, CYCLIST HAS A FRACTURED HAND, ARB
13/11/15 13:45:10 LERET WAY LEATHERHEAD_CENTRAL LTHD	MEDICAL INCIDENT 86-YR-OLD MALE WHO HAD BEEN ON HIS BICYCLE, HAD FELT DIZZY AND FAINT, SO HAD GOT OFF AND LAID HIMSELF DOWN ON THE GROUND. NON RTC - TREATING AS A SUS STROKE.
25/11/15 12:28:22 TILLEY LN HEADLEY_COURT EPSOM (*)	CAR HAS LEFT THE SCENE - HIT AND RUN. MUM-OF-TWO WAS LEFT IN AGONY WITH SIX BROKEN RIBS, A PUNCTURED LUNG AND A BROKEN COLLAR BONE AFTER SHE WAS KNOCKED OFF HER BIKE BY A CARELESS DRIVER WHO FAILED TO STOP.ARB COMPLETED CURRENTLY UNDER INVESTIGATION
29/11/15 12:02:22 UNKNOWN27034 ST NEWDIGATE DORK	LOCN IS ROAD OUTSIDE GOLF CLUB. CAR V BICYCLE RTC. CYCLIST HAS LEG, BRANCH HIT TOP OF CYCLISTS HEAD AND KNOCKED HIM UNCONSCIOUS - NO OTHER VEHS
17/12/15 17:43:30 1009 OAK RIDGE GOODWYNS_ESTATE DORK: @RH42NT 1 PORTERIDGES	INFT HAS BEEN HIT BY A CAR. HE IS ON A BICYCLE. THE CAR HIT HIM AND WAS PUSHING HIM. INFT STATES HIS KNEE HURTS AND HIS BIKE IS DAMAGED – ARB COMPLETED
10/01/16 18:23:37 WOODFIELD LN ASHTEAD	I WAS CROSSING THE ROAD ON MY BICYCLE AND A CAR DID NOT STOP AT ITS 'GIVE WAY' POSITION AND THEN CARRIED ON DRIVING AND HIT BOTH ME AND MY BICYCLE; MY BICYCLE IS NOW COMPLETELY DAMAGED- ARB COMPLETED
12/11/15 08:59:41 PEBBLEHILL RD BETCHWORTH_HILLS TADW	JUST AFTER CROSSING COMING FROM A25. CAR v CYCLIST MINOR INJURIES ARB COMPLETED
20/11/15 11:41:25 RANMORE RD DORKING_NORTH DORKING	LOCN GIVEN AS RANMORE ROAD NEAR THE RECYCLING CENTRE. RTC AT THE LOCN. PEDAL BIKE VS CAR. CYCLIST HAS NECK INJURY ARB COMPLETED
18/12/15 16:41:37 CONCERN FOR SAFETY - A24 CAPEL DORKING	CYCLIST ON DUAL CARRIAGEWAY >>> CAPEL FROM DORKING NO LIGHTS CARS CANNOT SEE HIM UNTIL LAST MINUTE VERY DANGEROUS
03/01/16 12:18:20 POLICE STOP - BARNETT WOOD LN LOWER_ASHTEAD	CAR V PEDAL CYCLIST 2047 - MOP CALLING AMB MALE C&B COMPLAINING OF HEAD PAIN - CYCLIST TAKEN TO HOSPITAL AS MAY HAVE LOST CONCIOSNESS FOR A BIT / CYCLIST IS FINE

* **RB** to ask for an update on this incident.

4. Cycling Issues: Road Racing/Sportives/Off-Road

Nothing to report.

5. Transform Leatherhead

For this item we welcomed Cllr Howard Jones (Executive member for Town Centres) who outlined some of the proposals under consideration. Details are still available from <http://www.molevalley.gov.uk/transformleatherhead> (see Downloads section) although the Stage 2 consultation period has now ended. A Masterplan will now be developed from the Stage 2 draft by March, with a final consultation on this completing by the end of June.

An important message seems to be that walking and cycling are now being taken into account at the outset, rather than as an afterthought. Money for any such infrastructure would come from LEP subsidiary funds for Sustainable Development. There was a brief discussion on whether the NCN should come through the Leatherhead area.

BB to follow this up.

6. Surrey Cycling Strategy – Mole Valley Local Cycling Plan

The progress update on the Mole Valley Cycling Strategy ([http://www.molevalley.gov.uk/media/pdf/c/3/item_08\(i\)_Local_Cycling_Plan_-_Progress_Update.pdf](http://www.molevalley.gov.uk/media/pdf/c/3/item_08(i)_Local_Cycling_Plan_-_Progress_Update.pdf)) was approved at the last Local Committee meeting where a map of potential new cycling routes was circulated. A draft copy has been obtained and may be viewed here: <http://mvfc.org.uk/assets/documents/mv-cycle-routes-draft-nov15> (6.5MB pdf).

There is still no news of any consultation in the south of Mole Valley. RS has since followed this up with Lucy O'Connell, RT is following it up with Becky Willson.

7. Route Development Updates

Nothing to report unless mentioned below.

NB. MVDC's Infrastructure Needs Assessment – see <http://www.molevalley.gov.uk/ina> is a good opportunity to lobby for cycle infrastructure improvements in Mole Valley. Closing date for the responses is 29th Feb.

Leatherhead-Area

Leatherhead-Ashted Cycle Path: This is slowly getting more popular. It was agreed to remove this from the agenda.

Randalls Road: This now features on the Local Committee list although we don't know if there are any plans yet.

Safe Routes to Schools (Therfield): Nothing likely to happen whilst Transform Leatherhead is under way.

Bookham/Effingham area

Safe Routes to Schools (Howard of Effingham): The decision on the planning application to rebuild the school has been put back.

Dorking area

Dorking Southbound: **RT** to check progress with Paul Manwaring.

Dorking Centre – Brockham link: RT had raised this via the INA.

Dorking Centre – Meadowbank links: As reported in the local press, the football ground redevelopment has been delayed.

8. Other Updates

Nothing to report unless mentioned below.

Dorking Transport Package (Deepdene Station): RS noted that there had been a meeting today

Dorking Hub: RB reported that they are now in a position to consult on the design, they are waiting on elevation drawings before submitting a planning application. If all the approvals go through without a delay they are looking to complete by early April 2016. The facility will be a secure hub with a key card access for 220 spaces with a further 20 spaces external to the hub. **RB** to set up an onsite meeting. It was queried whether the money saved on the Dorking plans (original ~500 spaces) could be used to improve the facilities at Leatherhead.

9. AOB

JD asked for Polesden Lacey routes to be added back into the agenda. **Action RT.**

JD also mentioned the Celebrate Cycling event on Bookham Common planned for Sun 26th June.

JC raised a number of issues he saw with the signing and surfaces on R22. **JC** to follow up offline with BB and RT.

BB reported that he had raised a number of issues with R22 between Dorking and Westcott at the last Local Committee meeting and is waiting on a site meeting with Highways Officers.

RT mentioned that he had raised the issue of the failure to refresh off-highway cycle markings at the Local Committee. Surrey Highways accept there is a problem and are looking into it.

Interest was shown in RT's copy of Sustrans' Handbook for cycle-friendly design, further details can be found here:

<http://www.sustrans.org.uk/news/new-handbook-cycle-friendly-design>

10. Next Meetings

The next formal meeting is on **Thurs 17th March at 7.00pm** in Committee Room 1, Pippbrook, Dorking.

The next informal meeting will be held on **Thurs 11th February at 7.30pm** in The Stepping Stones, Westhumble.