



## CYCLING ACTION PROGRESS MEETING

17<sup>TH</sup> JANUARY 2017

Present: Cllr Nick Davies (CCS – Cycle Forum Designate), Chair  
Cllr Mark Child (CCS – Cabinet Member for Wellbeing & Healthy City)  
Ben George (CCS – Transport Strategy)  
Lindsey Brown (Sustrans)  
Nick Guy (Wheelrights)  
David Naylor (Wheelrights)

Apologies: Stuart Davies (CCS – Head of Service, Highways & Transportation)  
John Sayce (Wheelrights)  
Chris Walsh (Wheelrights)  
Mike Cherry (Bikeability)

<p><b>1. Matters Arising</b></p> <p>1.1 <b>Baldwins Bridge</b> – BG provided a brief update with regards to this project. The project continues to be developed, but its funding and delivery path remain unclear. BG explained that it was therefore not possible to share the emerging designs, but that he would keep the group apprised of the development of the junction and consult with them at the earliest opportunity.</p> <p>1.2 <b>Morfa Distributor Road</b> – BG informed those present that the road was due to open during March 2017, albeit that some construction works would be continuing on after this date. LB queried how local residents would be advised of the changes to the local road and cycle networks; BG agreed to look into this and respond to the CAP via email.</p> <p>1.3 <b>Llethryd Cwm Public Right of Way Application</b> – DN reported that the PRoW application for the Llethryd Cwm link was now being processed and thanked Cllr Mark Child for his support and advocacy in ensuring the application was considered by the Council. DN confirmed that he would be attending the Local Access Forum to provide further support for the route.</p>	
<p><b>2. City Centre Cycle Route</b></p> <p>2.1 BG confirmed that the Contractor would begin work on the City Centre Cycle route on Union Street and Singleton Street on the morning of 23<sup>rd</sup> January 2017.</p> <p>2.2 DN requested that consideration be given to a change in priority at the Clarence Terrace / William Street junction, as well as an amendment to the pedestrian guard rail on William Street to enable easier access through for cyclists. BG agreed to consult with colleagues and deliver these improvements if possible.</p> <p>2.3 BG also informed the group that a new shared use path would be installed on the southern end of Westway in the coming weeks, to promote improved links between the Oystermouth Road shared use path and the bus station.</p> <p>2.4 NG welcomed the improvements that had been made to William Street, where on-</p>	<p><b>BG</b></p> <p><b>BG</b></p>

<p>road cycle symbols had been used to promote it as a route for cyclists. DN stated that this should be used as a precedent for on-road routes elsewhere in the city.</p> <p>2.5 NG also raised the loss of an advanced stop-line at the junction of Clarence Terrace / Westway, and requested that consideration be given to the use of Wellington Street as a cycle route. BG recommended that these issues be raised with Gareth Hughes (CCoS Regeneration) who was project managing the works on Westway.</p> <p>2.6 DN noted that the current provisions on Westway made little accommodation for northbound cycling. BG advised that the city centre cycle route would provide a route for those travelling south to north. BG also pointed out that the proposed changes to the Kingsway and Orchard Street would bring a significant benefit to the function of cycle routes within the city centre. LB requested that these routes be added to the emerging INM for audit and testing.</p> <p>2.7 DN asked that the routes be provided to deliver accessibility to all sides of the city centre.</p>	<p><b>NG</b></p> <p><b>BG</b></p>
<p><b>2. Kingsbridge Link</b></p> <p>2.8 BG updated the group with regards to the Kingsbridge Link. Negotiations with the two principle land owners have progressed well. The Council is now working for reach formal agreements with both to allow the delivery of the scheme in the coming years.</p> <p>2.9</p>	
<p><b>3. Kingsbridge Link</b></p> <p>3.1 BG updated the group with regards to the Kingsbridge Link. Negotiations with the two principle land owners have progressed well. The Council is now working for reach formal agreements with both to allow the delivery of the scheme in the coming years.</p> <p>3.2 The Council will be applying to the Welsh Government Planning Inspectorate in the coming weeks to vary the terms of the Common Land designations to allow the scheme to progress. This application is anticipated to take approximately 1 year.</p> <p>3.3 DN queried whether changes could be made to the Sterry Road / Gorwydd Road junction to improve this for cyclists travelling through this junction and connecting to NCN4. BG agreed to pass these proposals to the design team.</p>	<p><b>BG</b></p>
<p><b>4. Pontarddulais Link</b></p> <p>4.1 NG reported that Wheelrights and Sustrans intend to hold a public meeting sometime during February 2017. This meeting will seek the views and support of the public.</p> <p>4.2 LB reported that Sustrans had been successful in securing RDP funding to support the development of the project. The funding would be used to undertake feasibility work and public engagement to develop the scheme in preparation for its delivery. LB advised that Sustrans would look to connect with the proposed Pontarddulais Link and provide local connections and links within Pontarddulais, thereby promoting local and regional connectivity via the active travel networks.</p> <p>4.3 LB requested that the members of the CAP provide names of crucial local contacts who would provide helpful insights into local demand and also provide the</p>	<p><b>ALL</b></p>

<p>necessary support to its development.</p> <p>4.4 LB speculated that the developer for the Mynydd y Gwair wind farm may be able to provide some funding for the route. MC agreed to provide an appropriate contact to make enquiries.</p>	<b>MC</b>
<p><b>5. Active Travel (Wales) Act – Integrated Network Map</b></p> <p>5.1 BG advised the group that the City &amp; County of Swansea was working in partnership with Capita to deliver the requirements of the Integrated Network Map (INM). The Council is also seeking to work in partnership with Neath Port Talbot CBC and may, if possible, submit a joint INM if the work processes allow for this. It is believed this will be of particular benefit because of the shared urban agglomerations of Swansea Bay.</p> <p>5.2 BG shared the draft INM with the Cycle Action Progress meeting and the early draft was broadly welcomed.</p> <p>5.3 BG advised that the draft INM was being prepared using a wide range of information including local destinations, new housing developments, proposed cycle network enhancements and gradient. BG agreed to share the gradient map.</p> <p>5.4 LB advised that Cardiff Council had already started its preliminary 12 week consultation.</p> <p>5.5 DN commented that the emerging plans should do more to improve the provisions for on-road cycling.</p>	<b>BG</b>
<p><b>6. Any Other Business</b></p> <p>6.1 NG asked whether the Council would consider funding Wheelrights to attend a London Symposium which is focussing on promoting cycling activity and safety. The cost is £140. BG agreed to make enquiries.</p> <p>6.2 LB asked whether the Council would be willing to meet with Sustrans to discuss the Pontarddulais Link and how the Council's work could best interface with Sustrans' commission. BG agreed to set up a meeting.</p>	<b>BG</b>  <b>BG</b>
<p><b>12. Date of Next Meeting</b></p> <p>12.1 The next meeting will be held on:</p> <p style="background-color: yellow;">10am on 17<sup>th</sup> January 2016 at Meeting Room 1.2.5., Civic Centre, Swansea</p>	