

## Wheelrights Campaign Group Meeting

March 25<sup>th</sup> 2017

1. **Present** John Sayce, Nick Guy, Mike Lewis
2. **Apologies** Claudine Conway
3. **Group issues** It was agreed that John should be the first chair and that we should meet on an ad-hoc basis, when required
4. **Friends of the Earth** Nick reported on a discussion that he had had with the Swansea branch chair John Childs about joining forces with Wheelrights on an air quality campaign and inviting us to join him in a meeting with 2 of the Council's Cabinet members. **Agreed** Not to join the F of E campaign as we had enough issues ourselves and working jointly required much negotiations beforehand.
5. **Manifesto** John stated that he was very hopeful that the Labour Group would be adopting our manifesto. He outlined the progress to date on the 6 suggested priority routes.
  - **Orchard St.** Not only has the Council accepted the need for this route, but they have also been successfully in obtaining funding from the Local Transport Fund for implementation next year.
  - **Stafford Common.** The Council has also been successful in obtaining money for the first stage of this work from Gowerton Station. Nick to take the lead role.
  - **Clyne Common.** John reported on discussions that he had had with David Naylor, who has been favouring the road route. He and Patrick Tribe have started to lobby Bishopston Community councillors. Some discussion about Mumbles Community councillors and Regit Lane route. David to continue with lead role.
  - **Cwmgelli** Little further progress was reported, although Patrick Tribe had offered to speak to the CEO of the DVLA whom he knows. John to take the lead.
  - **Trallwn.** It was agreed that we needed a local Wheelrights member to be involved in discussions with the Councillors. John to speak to Chris about asking members to approach election candidates and how to identify them specifically in the Llansamlet/Bon-y-maen wards.
  - **Mansel St/Walter Rd.** The Kingsway proposals are the first step to securing a cycle route along this road. John and Nick to take this forward.
  - **Other routes.** There was some discussion about the Pontarddulais route. It was agreed that we should let Sustrans lead on this campaign. Rivington Land have now submitted a formal application to the City Council for Swansea Central. John will follow this up by requesting a copy to see if any changes were made.
6. **Bike week** This was being co-ordinated by the Swansea bay cycle Forum. Our ideas for the meeting on the 27th are a commuter challenge from Llansamlet and asking cafes on the NCN routes to offer a 10 pc discount for cyclists in that week.
7. **A.O.B.** We spoke about contacting the Council's Road safety team about conduct cards for shared use paths between walkers and cyclists. John to follow up.
8. **Next Meeting.** To be agreed at the next full members meeting scheduled for May, 1 when it was hoped Nick could get a speaker from Cardiff Council.