

CYCLING ENGLAND DEMONSTRATION TOWN PROJECT BOARD MEETING

MONDAY 26 OCTOBER 2009

LANCASTER TOWN HALL

PRESENT: Councillor Jon Barry (JB)
County Councillor Ken Brown (KB)
Ged McAllister (GM)
Peter Loker (PSL)

		ACTION
1.	APOLOGIES Councillor Eileen Blamire	
2.	NOTES FROM MEETING HELD 21 JULY 2009 Noted	
3.	MATTERS ARISING FROM 21 JULY 2009 MEETING <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Lancaster City Centre Race - on contacting Paul Andrews around detailed support we found that funding of up to £25K was required from the CDT/city council to support the event as well as officer time in negotiating a race route and making other arrangements. This would not be in the Sky televised race series and it was recommended by officers that this was not the best use of CE funding and very unlikely that the city council would revenue support. Agreed – we explore supporting a quality track race event at Salt Ayre which we can aim to give a high profile to.• Strategic links with County Highways - meeting held with Rob Clifford (Highways Director) to explore joint Public Realm working and build more cycling support into Local Transport Policy (LTP)3. Agreed - continue to promote cycling as an essential part of LTP3 for Lancaster District to establish continuity of cycling development after end of CDT project in 2011.	GM

4. **PROGRESS REPORTS**

(a) **Infrastructure Works** - Noted satisfactory progress on priority schemes for 2009/10 especially the high profile junction development at Penny Street Bridge. This should be completed by 05 November.

Agreed: any detailed enquiries to be pursued direct with Gary Bowker

(b) **Smarter Choices** - Noted satisfactory progress on schemes agreed with CE. The Smarter Choices programme will continue to develop with advice from CE

(c) **Workplace Cycling** - Intensive engagement with staff at selected workplaces has shown to be key to encouraging more employees to choose to cycle to work. Focus is on 'growing' from the core cyclists at each workplace. Activity levels are high and evaluation is developing.

(d) **Bike It** - Kathy is due to return to work in February and Damian has been successful in getting a CTC job working across Blackpool and Lancaster. Sustrans have caretaking arrangements in place, but further developments are not expected until Kathy gets back.

5. **FUTURE FUNDING**

Increasingly likely that CE funding will cease after 2010/11 and the Board needs to focus on development of a continuing strategy.

Agreed:

- develop options for continuing programme of cycling development at reduced future costs
- consideration of cycling continuing as a Corporate Priority in 2010/11 and future years
- pursue cycling development as a key issue in developing LTP3.

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6. **20 MPH DEFAULT SPEED LIMIT ON RESIDENTIAL ROADS THROUGHOUT THE DISTRICT** - referred to Board from Steering Group

County Councillor K Brown declared an interest in that he was aware that this is an item on the December meeting of Lancashire Locals which he chairs. In view of the remaining Board membership this meant that a formal Board decision on support could not be taken, but it was

Noted: Councillor Jon Barry as Cabinet member with special responsibility for cycling supported the Steering Group's position on pressing for a 20mph default speed limit on residential roads throughout the District.

7. **CYCLE TO WORK GUARANTEE**

Noted the Lancaster district is a founder member of this Guarantee which is due to be launched by the Transport Minister, Lord Adonis, on Wednesday 28 October.

8. **ANY OTHER BUSINESS**

- Councillor Barry and Peter Loker will be representing the city council at a CE parliamentary reception on Thursday 29 October
- Report on evaluation of first three years of CDT project due to be launched by Transport Minister at end of October or end of November.

9. **DATE OF NEXT MEETING**

To be arranged – approximately three months time