

## Cycle Forum Meeting Thursday October 15<sup>th</sup> 2009

Item	Discussion	Action Required By	When
<b>Action sheet previous meeting</b>	<p>Discussed – Andy will pick up parking issue with the Angel And will also continue to pursue the surface of the Route 6 as it crosses into Bury as this needs topping. Peter will contact Sarah Brabban to ensure that she received the information asked for at the last meeting.</p>	Pete	December
Gateway Project	<p>Perry Twigg, Landscape Design Group Manager and Cassey Wheadon, Landscape Architect, attended to describe the initial proposals to develop the infrastructure around the Regent Road / Trafford Road roundabout. The developments are going to create a sense of arrival into Salford and improve linkages from Salford Crescent and Salford University to the new Oasis Academy and MediaCity. Whilst there are technical difficulties which restrict some radical changes for example the width and height of the underpass. Proposed improvements to lighting, to the surface along the route, to signage and to the road crossings, will improve safety for pedestrians and cyclists. Environmental remodelling combined with carefully selected shrubbery and perhaps sculptures will, along with programmed maintenance enhance the appearance and encourage usage. The majority of the funding is from the North West Development Agency and whilst the proposal were not yet fully determined it as hoped to begin work on the improvements this financial year. Forum members were able to make some suggestions around the route linkages what provision they would like to see. Cassey will meet with Lee to discuss the suggestions and progress further.</p>	Lee Evans and Cassey Wheadon	November
<b>Irwell City Park (ICP)</b>	<p>Two years ago the forum had a presentation on the ICP but the funding bid failed. However the project was not shelved but was put on hold and was intended to be progressed in a piecemeal fashion as money from developers became available. Tim Hewitt from the Urban Regeneration Company attended to advise members of the consultation taking place now on the proposals for ICP as they are working hard to secure funding to progress major parts of the scheme. Progress is very positive and the park could be a part of a new national cycle route or certainly part of an extension of regional route 85. The long term aspiration is a full length DDA compliant route for cyclists and pedestrians along the Irwell from Trafford Wharf through Manchester to the Colgate Palmolive works in Salford. There are parts of the ICP which will restrict this ambition because of width and access issues which are beyond reasonable funding to correct. Consultation on the detailed design is underway and construction on the first stages to be developed should begin in the spring 2010.</p>		

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	Lee is to coordinate a special meeting between the URC and Cycle Ordsall and other interested parties to carry out further consultation on ICP.	Lee	November
<b>Cycle Centre proposals.</b>	<p>A report commissioned by Manchester and Salford Authorities was shared with the forum. The subject is potential sites for cycle centres and the potential facilities they could offer. This report will be made available on the website. Members were asked for any ideas for additional sites.</p> <p>Mike mentioned the facilities at the Salford hospital were inadequate for the number of cyclists but could be a potential location.</p> <p>Councillor Dawson suggested that the park and ride facility proposed by the M60 / M61 on the route of the Leigh Guided Busway is an opportunity perhaps also for potential cycle hire with similar facility at the end of the route.</p> <p>Rob commented that the Manchester university sheds are very secure, accessed with the library card and could be replicated easily for low capital cost.</p>		
<b>Capital Programme</b>	<p>Lee covered progress on the Bridgewater Way, Liverpool Road. Caddishead Way, the Loopline.</p> <p>Lee will look into possible signage onto the Loopline from Worsley road. A query from a member of the public regarding cycling along the Loopline will be responded to by Lee.</p>	Lee Lee	November November
<b>AOB</b>	<p>Cross City Bus Route – consultation is ongoing and there is a display at the civic centre on Thursday 22<sup>nd</sup> Oct.</p> <p>Members thought there was a lot of good stuff happening at the moment around cycling but perhaps more could be done to publicise and spread the good news. Members were pleased that councillor Dawson was representing their interests particularly at the Sustainable Travel Partnership and welcomed the heightened profile this gave cyclists.</p> <p>Peter will arrange future meeting dates, members agreed that quarterly was sufficient to programme in although there may be reasons to arrange additional meetings in the year.</p> <p>One way of increasing publicity is to look into a partnership approach around healthy weight strategy perhaps tie in with adverts in Life in Salford.</p>	Lee / Pete	December

**Next meeting Thursday January 14<sup>th</sup> 2010 at 6pm**

**Future meetings; Thursdays at 6pm**

- **15 April 2010**
- **8 July 2010**
- **14 October 2010**