

MEETING NOTE

Reading Cycle Forum

Thursday 29th February 2024 @ 18:30 (Council Chamber)

Attendance:	Cllr Paul Gittings (Chair) RBC Cllr Adele Barnett-Ward RBC Cllr Will Cross RBC Cllr John Ennis RBC [Redacted]	[Redacted] [Redacted] [Redacted] James Turner	[Redacted] [Redacted] [Redacted] RBC
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Apologies:	Cllr James Moore RBC [Redacted]	[Redacted]	
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1.	<p>Welcome and Apologies:</p> <p>Cllr Gittings opened the meeting and apologies were recorded. Rather than official minutes it was agreed a set of actions for each discussion topic would be documented and shared. These will be reported back at the next forum.</p>	
2.	<p>Officers Update</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Reading Transport Strategy 2040 Consultation analysis being undertaken and will be reported back at future forum. • ATF 2 Shinfield Road Concerns were raised over the right turn in to the University of Reading (Queens Drive) from Shinfield Road. Transport Officers to review this turn and look at proposals to improve the safety of this manoeuvre. Following a meeting with RCC the signage plan for the Shinfield Road scheme was reviewed. Updated signage plan to be prepared and shared with RCC. Signage and lining to be implemented prior to visit from Active Travel England. • ATF 3 Bath Road / Castle Hill Meeting to be arranged with RCC to review the detailed design plans for Bath Road / Castle Hill scheme. • ATF 4 Upper Redlands Road To be delivered Summer 2024 • Capability and Ambition Programme 2023 The capability and ambition funded programme of events include the following initiatives (not exhaustive list): <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Continuation of free adult cycle training and cycle maintenance workshops. 	<p>RBC Transport</p> <p>RBC Transport</p> <p>RBC Transport / RCC</p>

	<p>The narrowness of the path and vegetation growth was queried on the access paths including at the roundabout. RBC to look into the highway boundary and also discuss maintenance with parks. A site visit will be undertaken.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Lower Henley Road cycle lane and ASL Update on cycle lane lining and advanced stop line installation to be provide. Programme slightly delayed due to requirement for a specialist contractor. • Bus lane proposals - consultation involvement and consideration for cycling Comments were received from RCC on Reading BSIP bus lanes proposals and these were passed to the design consultants with a request that these were incorporated where possible. However, it was agreed that a meeting would be beneficial with RCC and Reading’s BSIP team to discuss the BSIP bus lanes and integration with cycle schemes. It was commented that two buses can not pass each other on the Oxford Road on the bridge over the IDR and an easy solution to improving the flow of buses would be to remove some of the on-street parking here. 	<p>RBC Transport</p> <p>RBC Network Mgt</p> <p>RBC Transport/RCC</p>
4.	<p>Any Other Business</p> <p>ML informed that Sustrans Big Walk and Wheel is taking place 11-22 March 2024 and many schools across Reading will take part. All are encouraged to make active travel journeys to and from school particularly during this period if possible.</p> <p>The Cycle Forum - Long-list of measures was requested to be recirculated.</p>	<p>All to promote</p> <p>RBC Transport / Network Mgt</p>
5.	<p>Date of Next Meeting:</p> <p>The next meeting of the CAST (Cleaner Air and Safer Transport) forum is scheduled for Wednesday 3rd April 2024 and all on this forum are invited.</p> <p>A further Cycle Forum will be arranged for later this year.</p>	<p>All to note</p>