Spokes Action Update 05.12.14

... This is a circular to emailable Spokes members. If you recently sent us a change of email address it may not yet be in our database, so this message may go to your old address or possibly to both.

... When using email addresses below, replace [AT] by @.

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We were not planning a circular yet, so this one is much shorter than usual. However item 1 below has just arisen and is really important!!

1. QUICK CHANCE FOR MORE CYCLING CASH - Please email now. It is urgent!

As a result of the UK Autumn Budget Statement, £213m extra will be coming to Scotland. There is a chance to get a small piece of this for cycling infrastructure in Scotland. The details are here...

http://www.spokes.org.uk/wordpress/2014/12/quick-chance-for-more-cycle-cash/

Please do email your MSPs about this, as suggested in the above article. Something very similar happened in December 2012 – and thanks to a large number of emails to MSPs, extra cash was allocated. All is explained in the above article.

Quick emails are fine – what is really important is for MSPs to get *lots* of emails from their constituents.

2. PUBLIC MEETING REPORT

Our public meeting on Lothians cycling developments was a great success. See the two reports here...

http://www.spokes.org.uk/wordpress/2014/11/lothians-interest-packed-out-meeting/

 $\underline{http://www.spokes.org.uk/wordpress/2014/11/councillor-flabbergasted-or-the-importance-of-budgets-and-what-you-can-do/}$

3. SPOKES STALL AT EDINBURGH FARMERS MARKET Sat 13 December, a.m.

Come along to say hello! Buy Spokes maps for Christmas presents at special stall prices. Come along to say hello and, if you can help, please contact martyn.edelsten [AT] ed.ac.uk.

https://twitter.com/EdFarmersMarket/

http://www.spokes.org.uk/wordpress/spokes-maps/ [prices shown here are standard shop prices]

4. FOR YOUR DIARY - BIG 2015 EVENTS

For dates and links to the **Edinburgh Festival of Cycling**, Pedal on Parliament and other events as they appear, see the 'Events' section in the left hand column at http://www.spokes.org.uk.

5. FINALLY ...

- Remember to check out our website every so often www.spokes.org.uk.
- We have an active twitter presence, <u>@SpokesLothian</u>. Please look every so often, and RT any tweets you support. The latest Spokes tweets now also appear on our website in the right-hand column.

Dave du Feu, Spokes 5 December 2014