Spokes Action Update 13.06.15

... 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.

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This email is very short since the new SpokesWorker (below) includes a lot of information and actions, but we wish to remind you of 3 imminent events...

1. PUBLIC MEETING Monday June 15, Augustine United, Geo IV Bridge, 7.30 [doors open 6.45]

Top speaker Des Bradley, Abellio/ScotRail Transport Integration Manager plus speakers from Sestran, Transform and the Campaign for Borders Rail. There have been some very exciting developments from ScotRail in the last few days, which doubtless we will hear more about...

- The **Cycling Innovation Plan** <u>www.spokes.org.uk/2015/06/abellio-scotrail-cycle-innovation-plan</u> As Transport Integration Manager, it is Des Bradley's responsibility to implement the plan.
- **Abellio Bike-and-Go Bike Hire** begins at Haymarket this Monday 15 June https://twitter.com/SpokesLothian/status/609358713070223360

For full details of the meeting see the May 20 news item at spokes.org.uk. Click here to go there direct.

- In addition to our usual stall, there will be a special area for **joining Spokes** or **renewing your membership**. If you received a renewal form in your recent mailing and have not yet renewed, just bring it along and renew on the spot.
- Tea/coffee are available **from 6.45 to 7.15**. We will stop serving at 7.15 instead of 7.30, to give the helpers time to clear up without missing the start of the meeting.
- We'd appreciate a couple of extra people to help with tea/coffee. You would need to arrive by 6.30, not 6.45. To volunteer please email judy.cantley [AT] btopenworld.com or phone 447 7108..

2. AGM Mon June 15, 6.00 - 6.30pm, Augustine United, immediately before the above public meeting

As intimated in our previous member circular, the AGM will be held as above. We hope that as many members as possible will come along. The meeting will be asked to approve Spokes moving towards becoming a SCIO [Scottish Charitable Incorporated Organisation] - this will limit liability if we are ever sued and it will allow us to reclaim tax from donations.

Any current member is entitled to attend the AGM. You are a current member if you are receiving this email, although please take the chance to renew at the public meeting stall above, if you have not yet done so.

Papers for the AGM, including details of the SCIO proposal, and a set of group reports are online <u>here</u>. *Please have a look before the meeting if possible*.

3. BIKE BREAKFAST Weds June 17, City Chambers, 7.45-9.45 a.m.

The annual Spokes Bike Breakfast is as above. Full details on the poster which was sent to all members and is online <u>here</u>.

4. SPOKESWORKER 13.6.15

There's a new issue of SpokesWorker with the usual wide assortment of events, information and actions that would be useful. Click the *SpokesWorker* tab at *spokes.org.uk* or find it direct <u>here</u>.

5. FINALLY

- Remember to check out our **website** every so often <u>www.spokes.org.uk</u>.
- 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.