

Notes from Spokes PG meeting - 8th September 2020

Present: David French, Martin McDonnell, John Robson, Euan Renton, Ewan Jeffrey, Alec Mann, Alex Robb, Jamie Thin

Apols:

Simon Watkins

Peter Hawkins

Richard Grant

Online public meeting:

MmcD wants to have one. Get cllrs along, perhaps Lesley Macinnes or Karen Doran. Potential theme is “The Big Picture” – how does Spaces for People programme (SfP) fit into City Centre Transformation (CCT)etc. Problems with bus boarders mentioned. Comments from commonplace tool show the desire for improvement, and should be addressed in permanent schemes such as CCT.

Date: ASAP – perhaps in 4/6 weeks. Try to have a “pre-meeting” w/ planning group and local groups. MMcD to organise.

Tracker spreadsheet:

JR has experience with a listed buildings organisation which used a master spreadsheet of planning applications. Has created similar for us.

Myreside Rd:

Myreside Road has longstanding parking issues at school times. New restrictions are more to do with construction.

ER to take lead – deadline 11th September (Note: this was done).

Roseburn/Canal:

Planning app released today.

AM has looked at the plans.

Is the toucan replacing the subway, or additional to it?

Width of new path near the subway will be only 2m wide. Possibly constrained by pylons.

No plans for section b/w Subway and Morrison Circus yet.

ER and AM did previous Spokes responses. Not much seems to have changed in the plans, so previous responses will be largely relevant.

AM to take lead. (Note: Submitted on 21/9/20 - [link](#))

SfP:

Schools projects need responses at the moment – mostly minor.

Town Centres – some have been approved but not installed. When?

Phase 2 – uphill cycling needs prioritised – Morningside in particular.

Confusion around prioritisation – length of time between approval and implementation seems to be random.

“Floating bus stops”/“bus stop boarders” etc. - we should be clear and consistent in language. When put in, needs to be done all in one go – zebra markings etc. all at the same time.

AOB:

Drivethru Costa at Meadowbank – Spokes response? Deadline is Mon 28 Sep 2020.
CCT should deal with junctions.

Next meeting - 29th September – 7:30pm.