

Agenda/notes of Spokes Planning Group meeting

3rd October 2022 - 19:30

Zoom link:

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NB: We now have a Zoom account for Spokes, so shouldn't need to rejoin every 40 minutes (but may run into other teething problems!). Contact David French if you have any problems.

Attendees:

Apologies:

Updates from previous meetings

1. Pedestrian crossing prioritisation Spokes to be consulted. To happen (they will get in touch with us). October update: not heard anything yet.
2. Active Travel Measures - Travelling Safely Update - No ETRO recommended for South Queensferry High St - does this mean removal of contraflow? **JR to enquire. Similar to George IV Bridge - has permanent plans, so no ETRO.**
3. Evaluation of the 20mph Speed Limit Roll Out – Three Years Post-Implementation
 - a. Map of proposed extension to go to consultation (expected to start in **October 2022**).
 - b. Noted short unnecessary 30mph stretch between Currie and Juniper Green. **Should review rest of proposals:**
 - i. Lots of wee dead end streets apparently being left at 30mph when the street they join onto is becoming 30mph - e.g., Spence Street.
 - c. New paper quantifying speed reductions was published last week and has gotten a bit of attention.
4. Low Emission Zone
 - i. Mention of road layout changes at various places including Tollcross Junction as part of LEZ prep. Mentions of minimising negative impacts on AT when surely they should be delivering positive impacts. **Happy to email for details (AR) - done, response unhelpful, will follow up.**
5. [103 Newcraighall Road](#) - 22/03945/AMC - DF remembered about this a few hours before comments closed, to put in a hasty comment.
6. Any updates on below?
 - a. Check dropped kerb from Assembly St to Bernard St / Constitution St. Seems road is now lower due to tram works. **Fine.**
 - b. Advance release signals north end of Mayfield Rd / Ratcliffe Ter July install and still not working. **Now working.**
 - c. [22/04151/FUL](#) | Hotel development. **CEC active travel team aware and seeking s75 contributions.**
 - d. Tram Cycle Safety project delayed ~a month due to lack of traffic signals staff.
 - e. CCWEL Section 3 Construction has started - significantly different temporary layout at St Andrew Sq proposed. **Positive change, so let them build it.**
 - f. Water of Leith desire line [fenced off](#).

TEC papers - Full (320pp!) agenda is now [here](#).

1. Business Bulletin

- a. George St
 - b. Picardy Place
 - c. Portobello High Street/Inchview Terrace/Sir Harry Lauder Road Junction - short term work completed.
- 2. 7.1 — Circulation Plan - maps and consultation expected Spring.
- 3. 7.2 — “Pride Bridge” - Recommendation to demolish. TL;DR “Bridge is screwed”.
- 4. 8.1 — Road safety inspections

Other Transport

- 1. Inch Park consultation - JR circulated draft response to. Also West Pilton Park & Inverleith Park to come.
https://consultationhub.edinburgh.gov.uk/sfc/inch-park-masterplan/user_uploads/a1-consultation-boards-final-3.pdf One of our followers tweeted this, “I think problematic that there isn't clear cycle provision. Inch park could be a useful route between South Clerk st and Craigmillar Castle Park. Worry as it is currently there's too much scope for Peds Vs bikes conflict”
- 2. [Coillesdene Traffic calming](#) (includes Brunstane Rd) ETRO post-implementation - Spokes Party will be responding - are there any comments to pass on to them?
- 3. Braid Road “reopening”. 19th November.
- 4. Tram Cycle Safety work at Grosvenor Street has [started](#).
 - a. 19 days of work including Sundays
 - b. South Charlotte St will begin after
 - c. Shortage of traffic signals staff causing delays, South St Andrew St section potentially not starting until January.
- 5. Roseburn to Canal
 - a. West Approach Road path removed - hesitance over trees.
 - b. Construction starting 2023, should be complete early 2024.
- 6. Meadows to Canal
 - a. Work ongoing, CEC officer concerned over pushback from tree removal

Policy

- 1. [Cycling Framework for Active Travel](#) - Transport Scotland consultation. Closes 19th December.
- 2. Public meeting with Scott Arthur - did anything come up we want to follow up on? DdF has a [report](#) as a website post, maybe ideas from that. **Do we want a meeting with Scott?**

Planning

- 1. [22/04891/PAN](#) - Dalmahoy junction

AOB

- 1. Edinburgh cycle hire scheme. [Cllr Arthur tweeted](#) today - report “coming soon” but worried about cost of scheme.
- 2. MMCD away for next strategic meeting.
 - a. Item for strategic meeting - officers unwilling to discuss projects with Spokes prior to TROs. More frequent meetings with officers working on projects would be useful as well; discuss with Daisy.
 - b. Leith Walk/Trams - discuss project finalisation with Daisy.

Next Meeting?

Pencil in 31st October (TEC meeting on 3rd November).