

# SPOKES RESOURCES MEETING – NOTES 8 August 2023

## 1. Spokes public meeting

### Action points from last meeting:-

**Dave** to send Kate personalised EVOC email address if he finds one

**Martin** – still to offer Caroline a free map as reward for her excellent MC role

## 2. Spokes stalls (Kate)

Ian Maxwell – **Bikefest on Bath Street**

Saturday 16 September. Road closure, bicycle activities and stalls. Ian could do a Spokes stall selling maps  
More details from [portycommunityenergy@gmail.com](mailto:portycommunityenergy@gmail.com)

**Kate** to liaise with Ian about cash-based stall

### Hippodrome event –

Saturday 16th September at 14:30. **Rosie** to confirm event will go ahead and can do a stall with payment device. If it does, Dave could contact West Lothian members

**Coalie Park funday** on 3 September. Kate has contacted WoLCT about possibility of stall at this event and will try to organise cargo bike.

**The annual Cycling Scotland conference**; which happens to be in Edinburgh this year, October 26. We usually have a stall and 2 or 3 people attending. Being in Edinburgh we should be there, ideally with 3+ people, one being in overall responsibility for the stall. I will also ask the other spokes groups in case any they're interested and available. (Dave)

## 3. Office (Anne)

from Anne's email of 2 August

Some of the pictures, pinboards etc are now back up on the walls. The maps are all in the shelves in the back office, with a few extra boxes stored between the shelf unit and the shelves with envelopes/bulletins etc. Edinburgh buffs are in the box on top of the filing cabinet in the main office.

Most of the leaflets are sorted out, either in the office bookcase unit, or in the pigeon holes in the back office.

If we want the new Edinburgh map up on the wall, I will find out about getting a flat laminated version to use. Dave, where do we get the laminated maps from, do you know?

There is a pile of things that I think can probably be recycled, or binned, so I will send a list and photos round Resources group to decide.

And final query - there were labels on the wall or maybe on the phones for the door entry buzzers - ie Muirieston Cres and Dalry road ( I think) - if anyone knows where they go please attach to the phone or the wall!

Anne - update

Photos attached of items in the office either to be recycled/binning/kept/donated.

The curtains are 280cm wide x260 cm long, anyone want them?

Kate confirmed the old gazebo is not needed, Dave will take the poles unless any takers for whole gazebo?

Others are old display boards.

3 white cotton Spokes t-shirts (M, L, XL) freshly washed now in bottom Stalls drawer of filing cabinet in back office.

## 4. Cargo bike grants update (Rosie)

Cycling Gardeners – £1300 for cargo bike - £300 our funds, £1000 Galashan

Cargo Bike Movement – informal application but not confirmed as yet. It's an interesting smaller sized cargo bike that is built in Scotland.

Gaetan Bailleul sent us further pictures and a report

Charlotte Maddix sent us further pictures and a report (one year on)

Rosie – I have chased up for reports and pictures and will chase again

## 5. Constitution/ Spokes becoming a SCIO (DavidM – on hold )

6. **Social media: this month's highlights (Rosie/Dave)**

**Facebook (Rosie)**

Facebook has picked up a bit this month  
Insecure bike stand on Dalmeny Street (18 reactions)  
Charlotte's pics of her cargo bike with family (17)  
East Lothian Council's improvement of underpass at QMU (16)

**Twitter (Dave)**

Chris Oliver's death (60+ likes)  
Summer competition

7. **Maps Update (Anne)**

I've contacted Shone McIntosh, Green Councillor for EL about donating the old EL maps, but no response as yet. Also emailed North Berwick youth project but no reply. Does anyone know if there are active travel coordinators working in schools who might use them? Any other suggestions?

**Martin** to organise photocopies of earlier Spokes maps' editions. Digital versions of historical maps could be put online. Martin to keep Katharine from Maps Group informed.

8. **Summer Competition 2023 - Dave**

Spokes 2023 Competition prizes – 15 prizes and 10 runners-up 5 entries so far

Note – Dave I did a search for "competition" on the website but our most recent one didn't come up. You click on the cloud and that gets you there, but not the search. (RB)

If Coalie Park fun day stall goes ahead, could closing date be moved to 4<sup>th</sup> September?

**Dave** to email past winners to encourage more entries

**List of prizes**

ScotRail Return ticket for 2 adults & up to 4 kids between any 2 ScotRail stations

Spokes £1000 voucher\* towards purchase of a cargo-bike

Spokes £200 voucher\* towards purchase of an e-bike

Spokes Full set of 4 Spokes maps plus 2 buffs\*\*

Hippodrome – 2 tickets at Scotland's oldest purpose-built cinema (in Bo'ness)

Lanterne Rouge (cyclists' favourite cafe, in Gifford) £10 voucher

Dowerhouse Cafe Two £25 vouchers [one per prizewinner]

Edinburgh BikeCoop £50 voucher

Edinburgh Festival of Cycling One day free hire of the EdFoC Urban Arrow cargobike

Laidback Bikes Electric or manual recumbent tour, solo or guided to Cramond OR one day free hire of a cargo bike

Hart's Cyclery One-week hire of an e-bike

Camera Obscura & World of Illusions – Family ticket

Sustrans online shop £20 voucher

Spokes 10 runners-up will each win 1 map or buff\*\*

We could ask all the prizewinners (if they are willing) to send us one or two photos of them enjoying their prize. This could provide some nice publicity for us and for the prize donors!

**Kate** to contact Anne re responsibility for prize list.

Rosie has offered to provide meal if Mies no longer wants to.

**Dave** to contact Chas Booth about being outside judge.

Need to agree date for judging meeting/meal

9. **Spokes members checking route signage (Martin)**

No recent developments – still waiting to hear from Sustrans

10. **Other business**

**Next public meeting** Mid-November/Early December. Possible topics: Cycling for all ages and abilities

Martin to focus on Planning Group and hand over Resource Group responsibilities. Emma willing to take on public meeting organisation when available. Tech support on the night can be paid for.

Rosie to take on approval of Resources Gp emails (Martin to forward notifications to Rosie's Spokes email)

11. **Date for next meeting 27/09/23 (Wednesday)**