Resources Group, Meeting Notes

Tuesday 17 June 2025, 7:30

Attending: Anne, Dave dF, Emma, Ian, Kate (notes), Rosie (chair)

Apologies: Helen, Martin

1. Spokes stalls (Kate) Successful stall at Meadows Festival 08 06 with nearly 40 new Edinburgh maps sold and competition launched. First event with cargo bike borrowed from North Edinburgh Arts.

Upcoming: Saturday 21st June Cycling Café, Queensferry (Emma in charge)

Saturday 28th June Climate Festival, Meadows 12-6pm with cargo bike

Tuesday 2nd September Public Meeting, St Augustine's

Wednesday 10th September Cycling Scotland Conference, Dundee (Dave & Helen)

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Dave to send Kate current list of stalls volunteers and Clair's email for removing and adding contacts

- 2. Office (Anne) possible recruit to help out Anne in the office (Celia)
- 3. Cargo bike grants update (Rosie)

Nothing new

- 4. Constitution/ Spokes becoming a SCIO (David M) on hold. Ian to contact David M and try to revitalise this
- 5. Social media: this month's highlights (Rosie/Dave)

Facebook - Spokes Traffic Count - 20

BlueSky - Spokes competition/new Edinburgh map and May traffic count article

6. Maps Update – (Anne) West Lothian map is in its final stages and likely to go to printers some time in August

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Lots of interest in new Edinburgh map - 50 copies sent out from office

Bulk order information to be promoted on social media

7. Public Meeting (lan/Emma) 2nd Sep St Augustine's and *Motherload* booked and paid for. Ian compiling list of cargo bike users to invite to attend and/or participate in discussion. No response from Cycling and Society. Aim to run stalls (sales & membership), refreshments and streaming of introduction/discussion/Q&A (but not film). Emma to contact Sam (tech) re availability. Slight change in timing, doors open 6.30, film show from 7.15 ending 9.30.

No joy with 2 email attempts (March and May) to engage Devi Sridar for a public meeting. Emma to make one more attempt. If this proves unsuccessful other possible topics for public meeting "Bikes and Public Transport" (Scotrail/busses/?new bike rental scheme?)

8. Traffic Count (DavedF) in response to website article, interest from East Lothian Cycling Forum to set up similar count. Guy to attend one of their meetings to share knowhow.

November count date set 11/11/25

9. Competition (DavedF) possible external judge Mike Lewis

Post judging, volunteers to trial rides to be included in new booklet

10. AOB-

- a) Dan Abrahams happy with funding proposal and will get back to Ian with more details before filming in July.
- b) All Party Parliamentary Group (Westminster) <u>report into e-bike issues</u> now published. If Scottish transport minister not open to discussion, a petition could be raised with the Scottish government to take steps based on report findings
 - Graeme Hart would be willing to inspect e-bikes and issue a form of certificate (drawn up by a lawyer) for a fee which could be useful with concerned landlords
- d) Spokes will turn 50 in 2027 suggestion for next year's competition "What Spokes Has Done For Me" with entries in a variety of media formats to celebrate the milestone.
- e) Emma has completed "interviews" with John Robson (Planning) and Kate (Resources) and will do so with Andy (maps) to make available on website and, individually, on social media in the hope to recruit more volunteers and working group members.

11. Date for next meeting: Tuesday 29 07 2025