**Resources Group, Meeting Notes**

**Tuesday 7 October 2025 7:30**

**Attending: Anne, Dave, Emma, Ian, Kate, Rosie**

**Apologies: Martin**

# Spokes stalls (Kate)

TSB sustainability event 27/8/25, successful. TSB bought 35 Edinburgh and 10 of each Lothian map to give away. Ian to contact the Chamber of Commerce to research other workplaces who might consider organising a similar event

Public Meeting 2/9/25, some good conversations and maps sold

Cycling Scotland conference 10/9/25, again good for networking but as in Dundee not many map sales

Not very successful stall at the Big Bike Film Night 26/09/25, but gave away West Lothian maps and wondered if this might be an event that Spokes could get directly involved with considering the demographics and the *Motherload* experience. Kate to contact Brett to see if he would be interested

No currently upcoming stalls but possibly a Castle Terrace Farmers’ Market stall in November.

1. **Office** (Anne) A limited supply of new WL maps now in office and about 200 old WL maps

Good contact now established who responds to emails. Still feeling damp, so considering trying out a dehumidifier.

# 3. Cargo bike grants update (Rosie)

Grant of £1750 paid to David King, a self-employed cycle courier, awaiting report

# 4. Constitution/ Spokes becoming a SCIO (Ian) No response to request for trustees from the various groups. Ian to attend Planning – but wait until after close of tram consultation - (John Robson) and Maps groups in person to explain situation and role of trustees as high-level strategic thinking and succession planning. Also tap into contacts at Cycling Scotland and UK as well as Walk Wheel Cycle Trust [formerly Sustrans]. An AGM within a public meeting could also be a platform to recruit trustees. Spokes members with defined roles e.g. Paul Ritchie – and possibly, short-term, Anne D

# 5. Social media: this month’s highlights (Rosie/Dave)

Facebook – Cycle lanes saved (36 reactions)

BlueSky – 1. Spokes draft submission for tram extension 2. Council press release of award for Roseburn to Canal path

1. **Maps Update** – (Anne/Dave/Ian)

New West Lothian map launch Saturday 11th October at WL Bike Library with Kirsteen Sullivan MP, Councillor Peter Heggie and Graeme Burton Design Engineering Manager. There will be an article in the West Lothian Bulletin.

Map sales of the new Edinburgh map through the office and stalls are better than via shops. Discretion can be used regarding charging for postage and packing.

Old WL maps could be made available in the cafes of WL Country Parks, starting with Almondell and Beecraigs. Dave has a pdf of a notice advertising the new WL map that could accompany them.

1. **Public Meeting** (Ian/Emma) Meeting went well but not much time left for the cargo bike content. Since the meeting, Sascha from Bike Station has organised a networking meeting for the various organisations to improve the provision and promotion of CBs. Fewer attendees at PM than usual but a slightly different demographic – younger and more women – how to keep them coming in future?

Future PMs: an AGM in Nov or Jan to address the SCIO/trustees issues and to present financial report (Paul) – enough to fill an evening or to be combined with additional content?

A hustings PM in late March/early April including smaller groups format more interactive. Emma to provisionally book St Augustine’s and together with Helen approach the parties for availability.

1. **Traffic Count (DavedF)** November count date set 11/11/25
2. **Competition (DavedF)** Judging meeting last Sunday (05/10). Kate has started prize distribution process and we will send physical copies of old Favourites booklets to any prize-winners being sent prizes in the post and link to pdf from website for virtual prizes. Kate to invite WL 3rd prize-winner to the WL map launch where he could receive his prize, plus a WL map, in person.
3. **Dan Abrahams funding (**Ian M) Filming complete but animation still outstanding

# AOB a) Ian – to make a press release about the E-bike Factsheet and include mention of All Party Committee and Sustrans reports but not until the end of the month

**b) Ian** – That’s TV interest will be handled by Ian, it could prove useful

**c) Ian** – personal campaign to have the cycle logos on paths in the Meadows renewed – has exhausted all options and looking for ideas – mention this at Planning meeting

## 12.Date for next meeting: 11/11/25