

Agenda/notes of Spokes Planning Group meetings

18th May 2026 - 19:30

Zoom link: <https://us06web.zoom.us/j/82527616002?pwd=6fkrDubxvhESIYskB7czrUZIYogCay.1>

Attendees: JR NA KT DF NG AR EB

Apologies: MM

Welcomes & Apologies

Admin

PG mailing list / group distribution / Calendar Events

Transport and Local Access Forum: Thursday, May 14·10:00 – 11:00am

Next TEC: 18th June 2026 [HERE](#)

Next TROSC: 2nd June 2026

Next CEC Meeting: 25th June 2026? [HERE](#)

Latest [Edi.Bike](#) newsletter

SPOKES SCIO:

Planning Group putting forward a trustee if Spokes becomes a SCIO. Contact Ian Maxwell.

Holyrood Election:

- Update [Transform Scotland report](#)

TEC matter / deputations:

- Braids Estate - Update [[meeting outcome, copied from edi.bike](#)] Also, Robbie has written to Cllr Jenkinson re ideas for next TEC

Updates/ongoing

Construction projects:

- West Edinburgh Link
 - Torwood Path complete and open. Other works due to be complete before July.
- Elm Row/TtN Mitigation Measures
- [Queensferry High Street](#)
 - Phase 2 work now underway on the high street itself High St
- Charlotte Square Interim Scheme
 - Still no progress here. Worth contacting Marie Davis?
- King's Theatre (Meadows / Canal)
 - Completion due at the end of May. Valleyfield St remains closed. Nearly finished.
- South Gyle Road bridge - still WIP
- QR9 projects - Balgreen Improvements
 - Should be complete - some works excluded / now omitted

Consultations

- TRO 25/57 - New Cycle Hangars: AR note of support
- [TRO/25/54](#) Tarvit Street closure except cycles
 - AR to respond positively
- [North Edinburgh Connections](#) - closes 9th Jun 2026
 - AR has [shared an early draft](#). Also Euan made quite a few comments by email (12 April email, subject line *Fwd: North Edinburgh Connections consultation launched*) which need considered
- Arboretum Place - no update
- Canaan Lane (one way cycle exemption but footway widening) response received and Meeting with School Reps held.
- Cameron Toll Future <https://camerontollmasterplan.co.uk/> CameronToll@cbre.com
 - SK to summarise comments for developer given deadline of 27.03.2026 - JR to check with SK on Inch Park comments.
- Old Town Streets ETRO/25/34 - Lawnmarket
 - AR to respond positively since no other comments were received
- [Craigmillar and Niddrie Connections](#) - Closes 8 July. SK lives close so able help AR
 - Draft [Spokes response](#) from AR.
 - AR attended a 'Community Advisory Group' meeting. Full consultation will be launched in April. Bidirectional cycleways throughout.

Ongoing issues:

- Anti-social behaviour on NEPN - Police contact? *Dave*: rather than just police, should we suggest that [local councillors](#) organise a meeting with local community organisations and police to see what could be done? Former Cllr Lesley Hinds did that years ago following similar problems near the red bridge. One of the Leith Walk councillors, Jack Caldwell, is a spokes member - might do this? (Martin knows him?) - JR to draft email to Police & Council
- Gilmerton Road pelican crossing 'upgrade' build out into unidirectional cycle lanes
- Leith Connections - Edi.Bike issues - CEC looking into it. KT corresponding.
- Meadows - George St
 - RSO called into Scottish Ministers + Public hearing for meeting 17th - 24th June: AR
- Voi Cycle Hire Scheme - 28th May 2pm until 4pm at the City Chambers
 - Markings of Docks taken place
 - Waverley Parking Changes
- Craigiehall estate (formerly the HQ of the Army in Scotland)
- Porty Junction
 - Still in the design stage. No money for Construction.
- Silverknowes Road Closure
 - Raised ironworks etc - safety risk during resurfacing - on going
- Roadworks & Cycling Safety
 - RA pursuing. Special designations not being used.
 - Off road path closures
 - Festival?
- Waverley Valley / Princes Street - Workshop RA & DdF
- TdF 2027 in Edinburgh
 - [Route](#) now shared - road resurfacing along Craigmillar Park / Minto Street?
 - EB has shared ideas - Funding / spend agreed workshop later this year planned. EB to chase date.

- Curriehill Station Link
 - Scotrail / Network Rail Scotland
- How cycles interact in the City - **JR to discuss with Charles Wallace then email JL**
- No primary cycle route to Waverley
 - NCN 1 bridge at Brunstane.
 - Slateford Road and station access.
 - eBike parking at Waverley / Voi Cycle hire provision
- Charles Wallace to check as Spokes bike/rail contact

Other transport / LA's

1. Midlothian
 - Tour de France 2027 route through Midlothian
 - Roundabout?
 - Active Travel Forum - Weds 27 May, 6-8pm, Lasswade Library: DF?
 - Penicuik High Street - Cycling Ban
2. East Lothian
 - Active Travel Forum
 - Drem - Gullane update?
3. West Lothian
 - Bathgate proposal on Edinburgh Road - any comments?

Planning

- Nothing to Report

AOB

1. Pedal on Parliament: 30th May 11:30am (Volunteers to Marshall)
2. Planning Guidance - Updates for Cycle Hire Provision 'off pavement' or as substitute for private storage?
3. Accessibility Commission - Floating Bus Stops workshop TBC
4. Network Rail ban on ebike parking at Waverley Station - JR requested Chas Booth to invite to AT Forum
5. Email from Living Streets Edinburgh on give way markings on shared paths. JR to reply.

After the Local Access group meeting, I'm following up on Leith issues I spotted in the video we received the other week. If anyone wants to add anything let me know. Ideally I'd get out and ride it myself as well, but it feels high risk. - Ken

Next Meeting - 15.06.2026 (next TEC is 18 Jun 2026 10.00 am)