

Minutes Cycling and Walking Sub-Committee
(Sub-Committee of the Traffic & Transportation Strategic Policy Committee)

Date: 28th of February, 2022

Time: 11.30 a.m.

Venue: MS Teams Online Meeting

Attendees:

Members: Cllr Janet Horner (JHorner), Gary Kearney (GK), Martin Hoey (MH), Cllr Caroline Conroy (CC) Colm Ryder (CR), Fergus Sharpe (FS),
 Cllr Larry O’Toole (LOT), Cllr Mannix Flynn (MF), Naomi Oldenburg (NO), Jane Hackett (JHackett)

Guests: Janelle Veitch, NDA (JV)

DCC Officials: Antonia Martin (AM), Deirdre Kelly (DK), Niamh Ní Cholmain (NN), Jennifer McGrath (JM)

Apologies: Martin Hoey (MH), Inspector Peter Woods (PW), Michael Aherne (MA), Cllr Carolyn Moore (CM), Cllr Keith Connolly

Minutes by: Antonia Martin

ITEM	<u>Summary</u>	ACTION BY	TIMELINE
1. Minutes of previous meeting held 22-11-21	➤ Minutes Agree		
2. Members Updates	<p><i>Colm Ryder, Dublin Cycling Campaign</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Dublin Cycling Campaign delivered successful events such as the Christmas Family Santa Cycle and Drimnagh/South Dublin Family Cycle (13th Feb); ➤ Bicycle Film Festival is ongoing for February; ➤ Upcoming events include Grand Canal Family Cycle on March 6th and participation in St. Patrick's Day Parade; 		

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Dublin Cycling Campaign have made submissions to the GDA Transport Strategy, draft Dublin City Development Plan and the Strategic Rail Review. ➤ Love 30 campaign to make a presentation to the Oireachtas Joint Committee on March 1st. ➤ CR circulated link to full update to all members by email: Dublin Cycling Campaign Update 28/2/22 - Google Docs. <p><i>Fergus Sharpe, Dublin Chamber of Commerce</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Dublin Chamber made a submission to the GDA Transport Strategy and draft Dublin City Development Plan. ➤ Focus group held with members on the topic of “Return to Office”. Most companies taking a hybrid approach with 2-3 days in office/at home. ➤ Working with DCC on “Cycling & Business” session as part of the Handshake Symposium. This will take place on Friday morning, March 25th. <p><i>Naomi Oldenburg, National Disability Authority</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ The NDA made a submission to the GDA Transport Strategy and draft Dublin City Development Plan. Encouraged Universal Design approach, stressing need for wide range engagement with people with disabilities and older adults. ➤ The NDA launched their Strategic Plan 2022-2024. ➤ European Standards have been published Customer communications for passenger transport services - A Universal Design approach (EN17478). This links with the EU Accessibility Act. <p><i>Gary Kearney, PPN</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Raised concern that e-scooters and e-bikes were reducing number of people walking and using Public Transport. 		
3. Micro Mobility Unit	<p>Presentation circulated to members in advance of meeting and delivered to committee by Jennifer McGrath.</p> <p>Points & Actions from Q&A:</p>		

	<p><u>Last Mile Delivery</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Containers moved from Wolfe Tone Square due to footpath and road upgrades. <p><u>Cargobikes</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ DCC looking at options for additional locations for parking for cargobikes and accessible bikes. ➤ DCC met with Cycling Ireland (CI) to discuss possibilities for developing e-cargobike training. Capacity to develop and implement a challenge for CI at present. ➤ DCC currently doing a survey with e-cargobike for business participants to see if what uptake for training would be if it were available. ➤ Suggestion to link with Disability Person’s Organisations and vulnerable adults to get their experience and influence any new cycle training programme; ➤ Not adequate space in some bike lanes for cargobikes; ➤ Need equality in roll out of cargobikes e.g. social housing complexes overlooked; ➤ Same rules apply to Cargobikes as for regular bikes – can’t cycle in pedestrian zones. <p><u>Bike share schemes</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Suggested that all bike share stands should have accessible bike options; ➤ DCC piloting accessible bikes in new Bike Hub in the first instance; ➤ Suggestion to give people free trial of e-bike for a week if they agree not to use car, examples in France and Switzerland; ➤ Consideration being given to the introduction of helmets for older e-bike users in the Netherlands. <p><u>Car share schemes</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Limits on where car share e.g. Go Car can go. They were introduced to the city 10 years ago and a review is required. <p><u>E-scooters</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Concern e-scooters taking from pedestrian numbers. Context of statistics important to consider and options available in location of study e.g. is there a bike share and public transport option or are e-scooters the only option other than walking?; 	<p>JM to revert to NO when training progresses.</p>	
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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ DCC collaborating with other Dublin Local Authorities on unified approach to e-Scooters – want to get best option for Dublin; ➤ Concern about e-scooters blocking footpaths – docking stations will help alleviate this. <p><u>DCC Bike Hub</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ A safe space is required for the Bike Hub – no location agreed at time of meeting; ➤ Suggestion to contact Bike Engineering Academy in Limerick, the offer Diploma courses on Bike Maintenance. 		
4. School Mobility Programme	<p>Presentation from Jane Hackett, Senior Programme Manager, An Taisce Green Schools (GS; presentation to be circulated after meeting) and Niamh Ní Cholmain, School Mobility Officer, DCC.</p> <p>Points & Actions from Q&A:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ School Zones not working effectively at all locations. Intensive behaviour change messaging required – DCC working on this; ➤ DCC intend to trial some School Streets later in the year; ➤ All primary schools in Manchester have “No Idling” signage outside to raise awareness of noise pollution. GS run a “No Idling” campaign and have a toolkit on their website; ➤ NN is engaging with School Warden service in roll out of School Zones and SRTS; ➤ Cycle parking in schools offered by DCC and GS; ➤ Roll out of SRTS infrastructure will take time particularly the walking and cycling infrastructure. In the interim, DCC and GS are working together to provide resources and messaging to schools to encourage modal shift; ➤ Position of pencil bollards – whether on carriageway or footpath- is determined on width of carriageway. Placed on carriageway when space available; ➤ School Principals are asked for their accessibility requirements prior to design. 		

<p>5. Walking & Cycling Promotional Activities 2022</p>	<p>Presentation from Deirdre Kelly, DCC Cycling & Walking Officer</p> <p>Points & Actions from Q&A:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ DCC to circulate dates for the diary of upcoming events including Handshake and Bike Week activities; ➤ Suggestion to do an audit of footpaths and crossings. Walkability audits are included in the draft City Development Plan. 	<p>AM/DK</p>	<p>WHEN AVAILABLE</p>
<p>6. Suggestions for future agenda items</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Workshop on Walking & Cycling Action Plan ➤ New DCC Structure (Active Travel and Traffic) ➤ Active Travel Programme – Priority Projects and Timelines ➤ Road Safety ➤ Road Maintenance ➤ Walk21 ➤ Bohemian Way 		
<p>7. Next Meeting</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Workshop to be delivered first. ➤ Next meeting date TBC 		