

MASSBUG MEETING

5 may 2004

Attendance: Nick, Paul, Matt, Fiona, Chris, Emma, Bruce, Robert, Fiona, Allan, Jonathon, Liz, Brenda.

1. Guest. Nick, SE Area Health

Reported on outcome of the recent cycling classes held for staff to encourage cycling to work. Thanked MASSBUG members Ian and Natalie for joining the groups to help new cyclists. Nick provided a donation of \$100 for this assistance.

2. Local Issues

Problem with crossing at Old Canterbury road on cycle route. Local resident is protesting at the placement of a crossing to replace a pedestrian refuge. Possibility that it will be moved further down away from route. Bruce to draft letter on behalf of MASSBUG to Minister and Pedestrian Council arguing that crossing must be part of cycle route.

3. Hazard Reporting Form

Thanks to Jonathon for all his work in preparing this tool. Following steps needed:

- Fiona to update website to live trial and email members when operational.
- Data to be made available to export to others
- Trial will occur with members before it is promoted for wider use.
- Footer and header to be included with title
- Fiona to check with Martin on interest in taking 'Administrator' role. Sheet of actions for administrator to be developed.
- Note on page with a policy statement and that personal details entered are to provide updates and checking of information – will not appear to others inputting information.
- List on agenda when data has been collected.

4. Burwood-Strathfield BUG

The Burwood-Strathfield area is not covered by a BUG at the moment. An initial meeting is to be organised following contact with 'Burwood Cycles'. Options for working group to proceed with establishing a group:

- Contact local media
- Contact BNSW members in the area
- Leave flyers in bike shops.

Action: contact Burwood cycles and Council Road Safety Officer to initial meeting to organise working group.

5. Local Councils

South Sydney council

Thank you letter to go to Ian Martin the rep on the Sth Sydney Traffic Committee.

Sydney – Incorporating Bike Sydney

Letter to go to John McInerney regarding representation and planning regarding Sydney Council cycle planning and representation. First meeting attended with good results.

Marrickville

Meeting held with Marrickville staff and councillor. Discussion around RTA matched funding and funding allocation for bike plan review.

Audit report- Paul to ask members to assist with ride to check the status of items on audit report over next couple of weeks. Thank you to Paul.

Management Plans

Special purpose meeting to be organised in the next few weeks to consider plans when released for comment.

6. HCAT

Project completed and evaluation underway. Ashfield Council is now supportive of project. Changes to ownership through Australian Rail Track Corporation from 1 July may have implications for project. Action: Bruce to follow up to encourage contract with corporation to contain responsibility for community partnerships, access and environmental objectives.

7. Communication/Membership

Business Cards – members finding this useful when talking to local cyclists. Cards available from Fiona. Members noted that cyclists need a number of ‘contacts’ before an approach would be made to MASSBUG.

Workshop ‘Enabling Change’ 25-26 May. Possibly places available. Contact Emma for details. See Calendar on website for rides, ‘Leisure Forum’ and other events.

8. Partnerships

Sydney University – contact made to organise meeting but no date set. Brenda to follow up.

Possible contacts: Centre for Popular Education, Environment Groups, Resident Groups. Actions: Robert to follow up on Clover Moore’s ‘village model’,

9. Events

See calendar

18/19 May Future Forums, place available. Contact Fiona

Deadline for anyone wanting to list a ride in magazine for August/September is 4 June. Contact Fiona for proforma for ride listing.

