

**MASSBUG
MINUTES
2 JUNE 2004**

Attendance: Liz, Andrew, rod, Matt, Ian, Fiona, Robert, Brenda, Paul

1. Local Issues

West St, Petersham

This street is on the north-south bike route and was recently closed off to all traffic by the RTA. This occurred despite assurances from Marrickville Council that cycle traffic would be provided. Letter to be written to RTA. Inquiry to be made about the cost of rectification.

Alexandra Canal clean up

After many emails and offers to organise clean up, the RTA cleaned the cycleway. State cycleway is to be handed over to Botany Council. Good behaviour of RTA to be promoted in magazine.

Wilson St, Everleigh St bollards.

Reflective tape needed on black bollards closing off entry to Wilson St.

2. Sydney Council

It is not clear in corporate plan what the budget is for cycle facilities. Of particular concern is the cost of the contra flow in Wilson St. Inquiry to be made about when it will be complete.

Cycling not mentioned in the Sydney Council plan. First year of funding for cycle plan hasn't been used, need to ensure funds are rolled over.

Liberal member – Shane Mallard proposed motion

Shane Mallard has asked MASSBUG to support a motion that the Council review the Gateway project, with a view to separate vehicle and cycle pathways.

3. Council Management Plans

Meeting Saturday at BNSW Offices to look at all Council development plans.

Marrickville Council has sent copies of plan with comment forms. Members are asked to attend meeting and also make their own individual comments.

Marrickville Council has agreed to appoint a transport planner and to review the bike plan.

4. MEMBERSHIP

It will soon be fair season. The Newtown festival is on 14 November. Members are asked to consider activities, information around these events. To be discussed at next meeting.

5. EVENTS

Ashfield Sat 12 June, 8-9 am launch of Council cycle program with ride to follow. Please show support, a small but important initiative.

Marrickville Council leisure forum 16 June 6.30-8.30 Council Chambers, Fisher St

BIG RIDE 19-27 February 2005, book your holidays now.

14 November Newtown Festival.

6.OTHER BUSINESS

The Hazard Report is on the website but still in test mode. Members are asked to use the form with real data. Martin will act as administrator of the service.

HCAAT is now complete, the final report and evaluation is soon to be completed. Two grant applications have been submitted to extend the project.

Burst BUG is the Burwood Strathfield BUG which has just started and is now being promoted.

Saddle survey – thank you to everyone who attended the surveys of the Marrickville audit in May. Suggest that other areas be allocated for future surveys.

Banner- quote obtained. Ian to organise printing.