

Ryedale Cycle Forum
Minutes – 14th September 2021 at 10am | online, TEAMS

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Present:- Cllr Michael Cleary (Chair, RDC), Helen Gundry (KMS Environment Group), Howard Wallis (RDC), Craig Nattress RDC (Tourism), Craig Newcombe (cyclist), Cllr Mike Potter (RDC), Mike Hawtin (NYM National Park) Paul Hayward (Cyclist)

1. **Apologies** Liz Bassindale (Howardian Hills AONB),
2. **Minutes** of 8/6/21 were approved
3. **Matters Arising from Minutes, if not covered below** NONE
4. **Progress towards creating a CIO to enable grant applications. Future of Ryedale Cycle Forum and getryedalecycling.com website, when RDC ceases.**
No further progress since June meeting on starting a C.I.O. The meeting felt it would like Ryedale Cycle Forum to continue after Ryedale District Council is absorbed into a unitary North Yorkshire Authority. The geographical area may need more discussion, because Ryedale has included parts of distinct areas, such as the Vale of Pickering, the National Park, Howardian Hills, Yorkshire Wolds. Craig Nattress suggested that the new Authority be asked to appoint a Cycling Officer, for whom one responsibility would be to support local cycle forums in North Yorkshire districts, and also support inter-connecting routes.
5. **Linking market towns, NYM National Park and Howardian Hills AONB:**
 - a) Malton-Pickering route. Work installing this route is nearly complete, Howard reported on progress. Ryedale Bridleways Group have been communicating with Howard on work yet to be done for horse-rider needs at Lendals Farm. A “ride the route” was done by some cycle forum members on 21st July, which noted some finishing-off issues. Craig and Howard will co-ordinate press launch when work is finished. Regarding Kirkbysperton off-road sections, Helen has been awaiting action from NYCC Definitive Path Officer, and will chase up. **(ACTION Howard, Craig Nattress, Helen)**
 - b) LCWIP (Local Cycling and Walking Infrastructure Plan) for Malton and Norton, by RDC & North Yorkshire County Council’s highways consultants WSP. A proposal now has to go to the Constituency Committee. If passed, it can then be used as evidence in planning applications etc. The next step is that a Priority Corridors Brief needs to be approved, but internal funding

approval from NYCC is needed for this. It is hoped that the information in this brief will be made available for the comment by Ryedale Cycle Forum members and others **(ACTION HOWARD WALLIS)**

c) Hovingham – Malton “Path for Everyone”. Helen Gundry reported that communication with various Parishes and individuals en-route has been ongoing, but no major leaps forward to report yet. Awaiting news on whether the developer of the proposed new Yorkshire Housing at Amotherby has included the cycle route in their design as requested **(ACTION JOSIE, GLYN, HELEN, RDC Councillors/Officers)**

d) Pickering – Dalby Forest - Scarborough link & North York Moors Cycleway
Mike Hawtin has been waiting for some action from NYCC Highways Area 4 for several months. Re-issue Cycle Forum invite to Dalby Forest cycle staff, as their input would be useful. **(ACTION HELEN/MIKE HAWTIN)**

e) Pickering – Kirkbymoorside – Helmsley

Kirkbymoorside Town Council & Kirkbymoorside Environment Group have a costed scheme for the A170 verge section of path West of Kirkbymoorside. £50,000 raised so far, and awaiting approval by Area 4 Highways, so that contractors can be approached for up-to-date prices. Progress is still good at the Helmsley railbed, with on-line co-ordination of lots of individual activity on the ground. **(ACTION HELEN G, RYEDALE BRIDLEWAYS GROUP AND ANYONE INTERESTED)**

f) Helmsley- Rievaulx- Sutton Bank - no further progress on these routes, but new promotion of a Thirsk – Sutton bank cycle route has been noted.
(ACTION EMILY WATSON/RUPERT DOUGLAS)

g) Malton – Castle Howard / Howardian Hills – York link:

James Holliday of Castle Howard Estate was in touch to say he would like to follow up on the goals agreed with Ryedale Cycle Forum in 2019. Craig Nattress has contacted Abigail, who is head of marketing, and is hoping for a meeting. **(ACTION M. CLEARY, C. NATTRESS, L. BASSINDALE, J. HOLLIDAY)**

h) A64 update. Craig Newcombe has had further communication from a (new) Highways England contact. Helen and Craig will update website page accordingly. **(ACTION CRAIG NEWCOMBE/HELEN GUNDRY/CRAIG NATTRESS)**

I) Pickering Cycle Hub. Mike Potter reported that a funding decision is still awaited, even though projects should have started 2 months ago. This means that, if funding is awarded, project targets will have to be reduced and some cannot be met. This is very frustrating for those involved!

I) Wish list for support – discussion for all. Howard Wallis reported on his involvement in some rail improvement discussions for Malton. A 2nd platform and cycle/pedestrian bridge is one of the suggestions. This also needs to be useable in times of flooding, so an electric lift may not be a good idea! Craig Newcombe intends to make formal comment on the proposed new 600 houses in Norton. To encourage cycling and reduce car movements cycle infrastructure within the new estate, and, just as important, is connecting the new estate with Norton and Malton town facilities and with other cycle routes. There are two developers involved, and construction work will take place over a 5 year period. Cycle Forum to comment (**ACTION ALL**)

6. Joint working to access funding opportunities: DfT – NYCC/LEP, developer contributions, RDC Section 106, British Cycling Places to Ride Funding, Crowd Funding, other fundraising.....

Craig Nattress reported that the British Cycling Places to Ride funding is currently available for some types of projects.

5. 2021 events, visitor information, marketing, cycle forum website

Proposed events are being checked by Ryedale District Council against Covid-19 risk assessment. It is hoped that some events will go ahead. Tour de Yorkshire has been cancelled. Events listed on the getryedalecycling.com website. Please contact craig.nattress@ryedale.gov.uk to add an event.

6. Ideas for offering cyclist training and useful cycling-as-transport ideas

Mike Hawtin reminded the meeting of the National Park's "Share with Care" publicity for cyclists sharing paths with other users.

7. Any other business - no further business

8. Date of next meeting - to be arranged. Helen will consult regular attenders as to whether next meeting should be on-line or in person

