

Agenda for Lewisham Cyclists (LC) meeting on Wednesday 7th August 2024 6.30pm

LC are the local group for the London Cycling Campaign (LCC) in Lewisham. Anyone who wants to work together in support of our vision for people on bicycles in Lewisham is welcome to join our meeting. Meet other local cyclists, hear about current cycling developments in Lewisham and have an opportunity to influence our campaigns on future schemes.

This will be an in-person meeting held at Lewisham Civic Centre, Catford Road, SE6 4RU

For the best meeting experience, we recommend you attend in-person. We also allow people to access the meeting via Google Meet, but as this will be facilitated by a single laptop it may not be easy to follow all aspects of the meeting.

Connection details for Google Meet:

- *On your computer you will need to use a modern browser i.e. Chrome, Firefox, Safari or Edge (not Internet Explorer).*
- *On your mobile device (iPad, iPhone or Android tablet or Android phone) you should install the 'Google Hangouts Meet' app.*
- *Please connect into the meeting in advance e.g. at 6.25pm as, for the benefit of all attendees, the meeting will proceed to schedule notwithstanding individual people's connection issues.*
- *All attendees should MUTE the microphone in their Meet session to prevent 'feedback'.*
- *Use the Meet 'chat' box to type in any questions for the Chair and the relevant Committee Member will respond, time permitting.*

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Agenda items

- **Community Engagement & Rides.** (15 mins)
 - Upcoming one-off events:
 - To be discussed at meeting.
 - Community activity update:
 - Update on other recent or planned community activities.
- **Treasurer's Interim Report to August meeting (See Appendix A)** (10 mins)
 - Although as you can see, from the Ongoing Budget for 2024/25, the Bottom Line has improved by £400 as compared with two months ago things are not good for the medium-term future. At our current rates of income and expenditure we may be insolvent by late summer next year.
An Outline Budget at current levels of Income and Expenditure for 2025/26, with a deficit of £2550, would look like this:
Income: b/f from 2024/25 £1900, LCC grant £350, donations £2500, Southwark Cyclists DunRun payment £1000 = £5750
Expenditure: Garage rent at Grove Park £1800, Scout Hut rent £1200, 2nd Sunday mechanics £3000, Dr Bike events £1500. Consumables £700, Google Workplace costs £100 = £8300
With an average income of per month of £320 and expenditure of £700, our brought forward reserve of £1900 would be used up within five months or so by end of August 2025.
Additionally, due to the fact that Southwark Cyclists do not pay us for the DunRun unloading until very late in the year (Oct/Nov), we may well run out of actual cash by say early summer 2025. That additional, immediate cash flow, problem might be solved by

either delaying payment to our suppliers or ‘borrowing’ the residual balance on the Grant Account assuming that is were still available. Failing that, our cash reserve would expire by late July.

Clearly therefore, unless we can find additional source(s) of income, then our current levels of expenditure needs to be curtailed soon or in the near future. I am unaware that any ongoing grant application(s) are being undertaken

As a practical step might it be useful to convene a small one-off financial subcommittee meeting soon-ish with Alex, Tim, Jane and myself (and maybe one or two others) (If so I’d prefer it to be held at 39 Broadfield Road for both practical and domestic reasons).

- Topical Items. (25 mins)
 - Healthy Streets rankings - brief discussion as to how we want to use Lewisham’s somewhat disappointing results in public facing communications?
 - Future funding options:
 - LCC Lime Share the Joy fund. Register for interest now. Four rounds of funding through 2024/25. LC would need to collaborate with a local Community Group. <https://lcc.org.uk/share-the-joy-fund/>
 - ChART - Chinbrook Action Residents Team who have National Lottery funding, soon expiring. <https://chartbiglocal.org.uk/>
 - Neighbourhood Community Infrastructure Levy (NCIL) - Ward NCIL Revenue Grant. Apply by 23rd Sept. <https://communityfunding.lewisham.gov.uk/ncil/apply/>
 - TfL Walking & Cycling Grants (Community Ideas £5K 1 year; Walking & Cycling £8K 2 years). Apply by 9th Sept. <https://wcgl.london/>
 - National Lottery Awards for All. LC to reapply with additional supporting information.
 - Planning for LC Annual Meeting - either March or April monthly meeting.
 - Agree ongoing funding for Google Workspace subscription (£6/mth) to enable hybrid meetings.
 - Pending issues:
 - St Joseph's Vale cargo bike inaccessible barrier on LCN28.
 - Evelyn Street - local parents would like LC to assist in encouraging better ‘etiquette’ while using C4.
 - Proposed content for next LC ‘Civi’ mailout.
- Council liaison update (5 mins)
 - Any contact with Officers/Councillors/Committees/Questions to Council.
- Current consultations and planning applications (5 mins)
 - Members are encouraged to respond to these.
 - Cold Blow Lane experimental closure to enable safe walking and cycling. (Consultation closes 31st Jan 2025). <https://consultation.lewisham.gov.uk/strategic-housing-and-regulatory-services/cold-blow-lane-survey/>
 - Lewisham NCIL Capital Funding (Closes 23rd Sept). Choose projects in your Ward to support including installation of additional Cycle Hangers. <https://consultation.lewisham.gov.uk/planning/lewishamncil/>
 - TfL Lee High Road bus priority scheme (Closes 9th Sept). <https://haveyoursay.tfl.gov.uk/lee-high-road>
- Attendees News & Views. (10 mins)
 - Opportunity for attendees to raise other issues.
- Meeting closes at 8pm.

Tim Collingridge (LC Secretary)

Appendix A

Lewisham Cyclists Ongoing Budget for 2024/25 as at 2nd August 2024			
<u>Income</u>			
Received to date			
Bank balance from end March 2024 Main account		5305	
Main Grant ex LCC		357	
Donations April to date		1165	
Payment from Climate Action Lewisham re Grove Park project		1252	8079 < total actual rec'd to date
Estimated or expected			
Donations for August to March 2025		1500	
Payment for DunRun unloading assistance ex. Southwark Cyclists		1000	2500 < total est. August to March
			10579 < total act. + est.inc.
<u>Expenditure</u>			
Paid to date			
Mechanic's costs for 2nd Sunday session in March (i.e. last financial year)		126	
Mechanic's costs for 2nd Sunday sessions April to July		976	
Dr Bike at Beckenham Place Park, Hatcham Gardens		246	
Garage rent at Grove Park for April to July		600	1948 < total actual paid to date
Expected or estimated			
Mechanic's costs for 2nd Sunday sessions August to March 2025		1950	
Scout Hut hire arrears (Jan to March 2024)		300	
Scout Hut hire due April 2024 to March 2025 (12 x 100)		1200	
Grove Park garage rent August 2024 to March 2025 (8x150)		1200	
Further Dr Bike events (say)		1250	
Consumables - as per last year - say		700	
Google Workspace costs		100	6700 < total est. August to March
			8648 < total act. + est.exp.
		Total actual + estimated income	10579
		Total actual + estimated expenditure	8648
		Estimated net worth at end March 2025 (£10579 - £8648)	1931 < THE BOTTOM LINE
Actual Main account balance at 2 August 2024 is £6132			
The Grant account now has a residual balance of £984 after paying Sustrans for the Elm Lane survey			
John Phillips			
2nd August 2024			
(for August meeting)			