

Agenda for Lewisham Cyclists (LC) meeting on Wednesday 5th November 2025 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 cycles 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.*

Connection details are: <https://meet.google.com/jmy-qydn-snr>

Alternatively, you can join by phone:

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Agenda items

- **Community Engagement & Rides. (15 mins)**
 - Upcoming rides (see our Facebook Events for info and [LCC Events](#) page to register for rides).
 - Lesnes Abbey Ride Sat 8th Nov 10am.
 - Upcoming Community Events (see our [calendar](#) for latest info and also [LCC Events](#) page).
 - Grove Park 'Fix & Ride' Bike Workshop - Sun 16th Nov 11am - 2pm.
 - Beckenham Place Park Dr Bike - Sun 7th Dec 10am - 2pm. (TBC)
- **Topical Items. (45 mins)**
 - Political Party Manifesto influencing for next local election in May 2026:
 - Overview of any contact with political parties to date.
 - Treasurer's Ongoing Budget Report (See Appendix A)
 - Comments from John:
 - As you can see from the Ongoing Budget report it is estimated we shall have a slightly smaller end-of-year balance at the end of this financial year as compared with last (2024/25) year. On the face of this we could cut down our activities a little in 2026/27 to remain solvent in that forthcoming year.
 - However, during the current financial year we received a one-off payment of £1125 from Southwark Cyclists as arrears from 2022/24 which will not be repeated. Thus our likely overspend and consequent deficit in 2026/27 would be in the region of maybe £1750 or so. We would thus be insolvent and have no money to spend by autumn/early winter of 2026.

- The alternatives will be either obtaining a grant or a major cutting down of our ongoing activities or a sufficient response to our newly launched GoFundMe appeal. I am sorry to have to bring you this depressing news, John.
- LCC Finance recommendations (email from Dave Sellers 29/10/25):
 - Cash collected during an activity should be counted by more than one person. The amount then jointly communicated to the Treasurer with a record kept of the communication. Cash safely transferred into the groups bank account/petty cash.
 - Income and Expenditure. All income and expenditure should be reported separately without netting off. This is most often applicable to income received where a fee is paid. The gross income should be recorded as income with the fees recorded as expenditure.
- LC funding options:
 - LCC Lime Share the Joy fund. Four rounds of funding through 2024/25.
<https://lcc.org.uk/share-the-joy-fund/>
Discuss whether to work with Grove Park Youth Club or other local organisations e.g. Youth First, in making a submission to the next round when it opens. Next submission window is 10th Feb to 10th Mar.
 - LC GoFundMe appeal - work in progress, not available for donations yet.
<https://www.gofundme.com/f/lewisham-cyclists-fix-and-ride>
 - London City Airport Community Fund.
Jane submitted an application online on 30th May. See document 'London City Airport Draft.docx' in LC Google Drive. We heard last month that we were unsuccessful in our application. Comments received, which may just be a standard response, were:
 - When submitting applications to the LCY Community Fund, we would like to encourage you to ensure you showcase well how your project meets the funding criteria/s, as well as the below.
 - Importance of the project and why it is needed.
 - Emphasising local residents' involvement.
 - How you intend to ensure it is inclusive to all members of the community.
 - How the projects impact will be measured.
- Solve the School Run - update on new initiative. <https://www.solvetheschoolrun.org/>
- Council liaison update (10 mins)
 - Any contact with Officers/Councillors/Committees/Questions to Council.
- Current consultations and planning applications
 - Members are encouraged to respond to these:
 - None currently active.
- Attendees News & Views. (10 mins)
 - Opportunity for attendees to raise other issues.
- Meeting closes at 8pm.

Tim Collingridge (LC Secretary)

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Appendix A - Treasurer's Ongoing Budget report

Lewisham Cyclists Ongoing Budget for 2025/26 as at 30 October (for Main account)						
Income						
Received to date						
Bank balance from end March 2025						4733
LCC grant						345
Dun Run Ex Gracia 2024 true up (inc. arrears from 2022/24)						1125
Bike sale						300
Donations (April to date)						1443
Cargo Bike hire						100
						8046 < total rec'd to date
Estimated or expected						
Donations for November to March 2026 (say)						700
Payment for DunRun unloading assistance ex. Southwark Cyclists 2025						1200
Plus actual income to date						8046
Total actual + estimated income						9946
Expenditure						
Paid to date						
Mechanics costs for 3rd Sunday sessions at Grove Park April to June						450
Dr Bike events at The Field, Telegraph Hill festival & Beckenham Place Park etc						1009
Grove Park garage rent March to Sept						1050
DunRun unloading assistment						135
Consumables						55
Purchases for Grove Park -Toilrt .table,chairs, banner						547
Google cloud						50
						3296 < total paid to date
Expected or estimated						
Grove Park garage rent Oct to March 2026						900
Grove Park 3rd Sunday mechanics costs Oct to March 2026						630
Further Dr Bike events - say 3 & 200 each						600
Consumables						250
Google Cloud & misc (say)						200
Total estimated future expenditure						2580
Plus actual expenditure to date						3296
Total actual + estimated expenditure						5876
Estimated net worth at end March 2026 (£9946-£5876)						4070
John Phillips			Actual Main Account bank balance at 30 Oct 2025			
30 Oct 2025			£4,751			
(for November meeting)			Grant account bank balance is a residual £70			