Agenda for Lewisham Cyclists (LC) meeting on Wednesday 4th November 2026 at 6.30pm at Civic Suite, Lewisham Town Hall, Catford Road, SE6 4RU.

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.

For the best meeting experience, we recommend you attend in-person. You can also attend online 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 Meet' app. Please only connect from 6.30pm onwards as we won't open the online meeting till then. If you can't connect initially, please wait a few minutes then try again in case we are having technical issues at the venue. 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: http://meet.google.com/xwt-mxhi-hcf**
Alternatively, you can join by phone: + +44 20 3937 4434 PIN: 919713208#

Agenda items

Community Engagement & Rides

Upcoming rides (see our Facebook Events for info and LCC Events page to register for rides).

Upcoming Community Events (see our website calendar for latest info and also LCC Events page):

Radicals and Revolutionaries Ride Sunday 8th November 2026 @ 10:00 am Thurston Road
https://lcc.org.uk/events/lewisham-cyclists-radicals-and-revolutionaries-ride/

Fix & Ride Grove Park Bike workshop Sunday 15th November 11am - 2.00pm
Grove Park Youth Club Marvels Lane
https://lewishamcyclists.org.uk/calendar-of-events/

Current issues to be discussed:

LC Campaigning priorities to 2030

We will review our campaign priorities going forwards - all views welcome - see attached discussion document below.

Local Campaigns lead: Judith Barrett has generously offered to take on this remit, in support of local active travel groups in the community. Judith will join Alex, Time, Jane and Brian on the Lewisham Cyclists co-ordinating committee (LC3). Other volunteers are still

needed especially for roles in communications and social media, fund raising and inclusivity.

Topical Items:

Council liaison update
Any contact with Officers/Councillors/Committees/Questions to Council.

Current consultations and planning applications. Members are encouraged to respond to any active consultations:

St John's Healthy Neighbourhood - consultation now live deadline 29th November
https://engage.zencity.io/london-borough-of-lewisham/en-GB/projects/stjohns?utm_source=commonplace&section=about%2520the%2520project

Petition for opening new entry point to the Waterlink Way - deadline 14th November
We've been campaigning for improved access to the Waterlink Way for many years. This would significantly improve local residents' access to nature through a low impact shared use path towards the River Pool. Also it offers connectivity to a safe quiet route towards Forest Hill, passing several schools, and avoiding the hostile road route along the South Circular.
https://councilmeetings.lewisham.gov.uk/ielogon.aspx?lp=1&RPID=124045632&HPID=124045632&Forms=1

Attendees News & Views.
Opportunity for attendees to raise other issues.

Christmas social - ideas/dates for a get together. Potential venues include Catford House, Dog & Bell, Ivy House.

The meeting closes at 8pm.
Brian Turpin (LC Interim Secretary)

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https://www.facebook.com/groups/72380106728/ https://lewishamcyclistsgroup.slack.com/
https://bsky.app/profile/lewishamcyclists.bsky.social https://www.instagram.com/lewisham_cyclists/

See over for Lewisham Cyclists (LC) campaigning strategy & priorities for discussion at November 2026 meeting……

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Future proactive campaigning is often aimed at Cabinet Members and Local Councillors who ultimately determine the priorities for Officers and decide which budget sources can be used for funding projects. But other politicians and Lewisham Officers can also be relevant to particular campaigns.

Key people in the current Council:
Mayor Liam Shrivastava
Cllr Corin Ashwell (Cabinet member for Environment, Nature, Transport and Climate Action)
Cllr Daniel Dream (Cabinet member for Inclusive Regeneration, Planning and Housing Delivery)
Cllr Laura Sessions (Active Travel Champion)
Cllr Robin McGhee (Co-Chair of Sustainable Development Committee)
Local Ward Councillors where appropriate

Other key politicians that may be relevant to specific campaigns:
London Mayor Sadiq Khan
Seb Dance (Deputy Mayor for Transport)
Dr Will Norman (Walking & Cycling Commissioner)
Len Duvall - GLA Member for Greenwich & Lewisham
Local MPs – Vicky Foxcroft (Lewisham North), Janet Daby (Lewisham East), Ellie Reeves (Lewisham West & Penge)

Council Officers in Highways & Strategic Transport and Road Safety.

It's also essential to engage with members to build support for specific campaigns and encourage them to communicate with Cllrs etc.

Also other Community Groups that share our objectives across the Borough or in specific wards e.g. Solve the School Run, local Ward 'societies', street-level environmental pressure groups…

Campaigning opportunities include:
Direct meetings with Cllrs, Walkarounds organised by LC, Community Events e.g. Telegraph Hill festival, Dr Bikes, LC Events e.g. Spring into Cycling, LC rides, Social media campaigns, Consultation responses communicated to Members…..

Suggested priorities for LC for discussion:

- ATS cycle routes not in the pipeline where we want to influence priorities e.g.
  - Lewisham Spine cycle tracks – we need to keep actively campaigning on these sections
    - Brookmill Road
    - Molesworth St
    - Lewisham Library to Lewisham Hospital.

    - Catford to Forest Hill walking & cycling route
    - Other priority routes to be discussed
- Safer routes to schools
- Cycle contraflows on one-way streets
- Healthy Neighbourhoods (HN) that are already in the pipeline i.e. St John's, Kinder, Telegraph Hill, New Cross Gate and Creekside. As HN projects are typically politically sensitive proactive campaigning activities may be needed to maintain momentum.
- Further Healthy Neighbourhoods – pushing those with local support/most cycling benefits
- Town Centres – need to continue to engage with local Councillors and Cabinet Member for Regeneration to ensure cyclist needs are built into future plans
    - Lewisham e.g. measures to eliminate dislocation caused by Shopping Centre.
    - Catford e.g. including improved cycle crossings of South Circular, cycle permeability and the cantilevered walking and cycling bridge on Catford Bridge.
- Cycle training – LBL are doing the bare minimum funded by TfL. Could commit extra resources from their budgets.
- Cycle parking – dockless cycle bays, cycle hangars, visitor cycle parking.

Reactive campaigning mainly involves interacting with Officers to optimise designs in development. With recourse to Councillors if proposals are unacceptable and Officers will not compromise.

Reactive:

- Many ATS cycle routes are under development e.g. C64, C66 and Officers are working through them methodically. We just need to respond to Stakeholder Engagement and sometimes engage with other local Community Groups.
- Other projects that are ongoing in the implementation phase, provided adequate progress is being made.

How do we want to present our priorities - do we want to rework the Google Objectives Map?

Tim Collingridge (31/10/26)