

# Minutes of the 2019 AGM

The Building Centre, Store Street, WC1E 7BT  
Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup> October 2019, 18:00-21:00



## A. APOLOGIES & MINUTES OF THE 2017 AGM

### 1. Welcome, Introductions, Agenda & Housekeeping

The Chair, Terry Patterson, opened the AGM by welcoming all those attending and expressing her hope that the meeting would be enjoyed and found valuable by all.

### 2. Apologies for Absence

Richenda Walford and Alison Dines

### 3. Minutes of the 2018 AGM

There were no corrections or matters arising, and the Minutes were approved unopposed.

## B. FINANCE REPORT & MOTIONS

### 4. Finance Report

- 4.1 Treasurer Simon Clark gave his report to the AGM. He noted that the 2018-2019 accounts (available on the LCC website) showed another welcome significant surplus following that of 2017-2018. He thanked the staff team for their work in sustaining this recovery after the preceding period of unplanned deficits.
- 4.2 He added that it appears that the charity's financial position is more stable, and that charity is budgeting for another surplus in 2019-2020 in order to further build our reserves up to the level that the Board would like to see them reach.
- 4.3 He also noted that a number of LCC Groups held substantial reserves, encouraging them to consider what level of reserve to hold and spend any cash beyond that on campaigning – especially LCC's upcoming Climate Safe Streets Campaign.
- 4.4 He concluded his remarks by saying we have two good years, but that more work will be needed to achieve the same next year.

### 5. MOTION 1: Approval of Accounts

The 2017-2018 Audited Accounts were moved by the Treasurer and approved unopposed by the AGM.

### 6. MOTION 2: Appointment of Auditors

The Treasurer moved that the Board be authorised to conduct a tender for auditors for the 2019-2020 financial year, and inform the membership of its decision by 31<sup>st</sup> December 2019. This was approved unopposed by the AGM.

## C. CEO'S PRESENTATION: LCC's London Mayoral Election Campaign 2020

### 7. Climate Safe Streets

- 7.1 LCC CEO Ashok Sinha gave a presentation on the rationale and strategic thinking behind choosing climate change as the topic for LCC's 2020 London Mayoral Election campaign, including the moral imperative, stating that the overarching demand would be for London's roads to be decarbonised by 2030.
- 7.2 He also informed the AGM that the key "asks" (with precise wording and timeframes to be determined) would centre on:
- Mass mode shift towards cycling and public transport, with an accelerated roll-out of cycling infrastructure and low traffic measures.
  - The introduction of London-wide smart road user charging
  - Making shared cycles, cars and other vehicles easily available to all as an alternative to car ownership.
- 7.3 Ashok concluded by saying that this will be the most important campaign LCC has ever run, exhorting all members to play their full part, and that the campaign will begin with a major new LCC report in the New Year.

### 8. Panel Debate 1: "How can we decarbonise London's roads by 2030"

- 8.1 Trustee Amy foster chaired this panel debate. The panel consisted of:
- **Richard Dilks**, CEO of CoMoUK, the association of UK shared mobility providers
  - **Claire Haigh**, CEO of Greener Journeys
  - **Megan Sharkey**, trustee and Chair of the LCC Policy Forum
  - **Ashok Sinha**, LCC CEO
- 8.2 Each member of the panel (except Ashok) gave a short speech covering their main areas of focus, after which the panellists took questions from the floor. The main topics covered were: reclaiming road space from cars; the need to increase duty on car fuel; electric cars not being a panacea; how possible it is to use shared vehicles, including shared bikes, instead of owning a car; road pricing; car parking reduction and pricing; the potential for the Mayor to use powers to take control of some roads; the hierarchy of roads users; expansion of the bus network; integrated ticketing (especially for multi modal journeys); the importance of ULEZ; and inclusivity.
- 8.3 A discussion with contributions from the floor was also held on transport aspects of climate change adaptation/resilience and campaigning tactics.

### 9. Panel Debate 2: "How to build a climate-cycling coalition ahead of the elections"

- 9.1 LCC Campaigns Co-ordinator Fran Graham chaired this panel debate. The panel consisted of:
- **Jemima Hartshorn**, Mums for Lungs
  - **Clare Rogers**, LCC Healthy Streets Campaigner
  - **Kerena Fussell**, Newham LCC Group
  - **Simon Still**, Lambeth LCC Group

- 9.2 Each member of the panel spoke about their own experiences of coalition building. Topics covered included: local outreach to build a new LCC group in Kensington & Chelsea, focussed around Clean Air day; alliance building with environmental groups in Newham; harnessing the concerns of parents to build advocacy on reducing air pollution; and creating a common set of core ‘asks’ across a variety of different groups in Lambeth.
- 9.3 There followed questions from the floor, including: whether the Mayor has sufficient powers to decarbonise London’s roads by 2030; the difficulties of selling smart road user charging to the public; and creating strong cycling caucuses in all the political parties.

## D. CHAIR’S REPORT

- 10.1 LCC Chair Terry Patterson gave her report to the AGM. She highlighted the progress the Board has made on Safeguarding in particular, with a new policy now in place to cover the whole organisation. Says also said she was personally inspired by the fact that LCC is now tackling the climate emergency, through our upcoming Climate Safe Streets campaign.
- 10.2 The Chair concluded by thanking members, her fellow trustees, the CEO and staff for their campaigning efforts, after which she and the CEO, Ashok Sinha took questions from the floor.

## E. SPECIAL RESOLUTIONS

### Special Resolution One

This AGM agrees that the Articles of the London Cycling Campaign should be amended as follows:

- The text “, and the words “he”, “his” and “him” shall include the female equivalent” to be deleted from Article 1.5.
- All instances of the word “he” to be replaced with “they”.
- All instances of the word “his” to be replaced with “their”.
- All instances of the word “him” to be replaced with “them”.
- All instances of the word “Chairman” be replaced by “Chair”.
- All grammatical corrections needed as a result of the changes above to be made.

### Special Resolution Two

This AGM *agrees* that the AGM Standing Orders of the London Cycling Campaign should be amended as follows:

- “s/he” to be replaced with “they” (section 7).
- “his/her” to be replaced with “their” (under “Voting”).

### Special Resolution Three

A. That Article 4.1.12, which reads:

*“subject to any restrictions in the Charities Act, to borrow money, invite and receive contributions or grants, enter into contracts, seek subscriptions or raise money in any way including carrying on trade but not by means of Taxable Trading;”*

be amended by deleting the words “borrow money”.

- B. That in Article 4.1.26 the words *“including by using internet banking”* be replaced by *“the use of internet banking”*.
- C. That in Article 4.1.30 (i), the words *“must be assumed to have known”* be replaced by *“ought to have known”*.
- D. That in Article 4.1.31 (e) the words *“so that”* be deleted.
- E. That Article 6.1.5, which reads: *“to any member of the Board for out-of-pocket expenses;”* be amended to read: *“out-of-pocket expenses to any member of the Board;”*.
- F. That Article 6.1.6, which reads:

*“reasonable and proper premiums in respect of any Indemnity Insurance to cover the liability of the Trustees which, by virtue of any rule of law would otherwise attach to them in respect of any negligence, default, breach of trust or breach of duty of which they may be guilty in relation to the Company; Provided that any such insurance shall not extend to any claim arising from the liability resulting from conduct which the Trustees knew, or must be assumed to have known, was not in the best interests of the Company, or which the Trustees did not care whether it was in the best interests of the Company or not and provided also that any such insurance shall not extend to any claim arising from liability for the costs of unsuccessfully defending criminal prosecutions for offences arising out of the fraud or dishonesty or wilful or reckless misconduct of the Trustees;”*  
be amended to read:

*“reasonable and proper premiums in respect of any Indemnity Insurance consistent with Article 4.1.30;”*

- G. That in Article 16.1 the word *“membership”* be replaced by *“member”*.
- H. That in Article 19.1 the words *“Subject to Article 18.2”* be deleted.

## **Special Resolution Four**

That the last paragraph of the section in AGM Standing Orders entitled *“Voting”*, which reads:

*“If a vote on a motion is carried, it becomes a resolution of LCC. No resolution shall be rescinded or amended at the meeting at which it is passed.”*

be amended to read:

*“If a vote on a motion other than an emergency motion is carried, it becomes a resolution of LCC. If a vote on an emergency motion is carried, it becomes advisory for the Board until it is carried or rescinded as a motion with proper notice (i.e. not an emergency motion). No resolution shall be rescinded or amended at the meeting at which it is passed.”*

## **F. OTHER MOTIONS**

The AGM discussed and amended the other motions on the agenda. The final text of the motions passed is below:

### **Schools**

LCC resolves to call for school streets and safe routes to school for every school in London and improve communication with schools and parents with children on the benefits of cycling to school.

## Key Performance Indicators

This AGM proposes that a set of Key Performance Indicators (KPI) shall be set for the London Cycling Campaign. They would likely include indicators for membership, finance, campaigns, local group activity, public awareness etc. The outcomes of these performance indicators shall be published in the annual report and on the London Cycling Campaign website. The results shall cover a three-year cycle.

## River Crossings

This AGM:

*Notes* that much of the major development and growth in motor traffic is happening on the east side of London, while the Thames there remains a major barrier to shifting more travel to cycling;

*Calls* on the Mayor of London to introduce charging for motor vehicles using Tower Bridge, Blackwall Tunnels, Woolwich Ferry and Rotherhithe Tunnel as soon as possible ahead of any future road crossing opening in East London.

## Policy on e-Scooters

1. LCC supports the creation of UK regulations that will allow e-scooters to legally operate on the roads or cycleways under certain conditions.
2. E-scooter riders should be subject to the same rules and guidance as cycles on footways/pavements and apply considerate riding rules.
3. LCC supports the introduction of design and safety standards for e-scooters.
4. LCC supports electric assist of e-scooters limited to 12.4mph.
5. E-scooters must have a human rider.

Further consideration of e-scooters and other micromobility will include:

- To consider widening membership of LCC that meets our micromobility definition if/where legally allowed.
- To develop a parking policy for micromobility.
- To identify general design characteristics of micromobility that should be allowed on cycle infrastructure.

## G. CAMPAIGNER AWARDS 2018

Fran Graham, Campaigns Co-ordinator, conducted this year's Awards ceremony, with awards presented by the Chair of the Board, Terry Patterson. The winners were:

### *Best Rides & Ride Leader*

Winner: **Bruce Lynn** (Southwark Cyclists)

Highly Commended: **Robert Heyward** (Bexley Cyclists), **Cycle Sisters & Joy Riders**

### *Best Infrastructure Campaign*

Winner: **Hounslow Cycling Campaign** for their CW9 campaign

Highly commended: **Lambeth Cycling Campaign** (council relations) and **Southwark Cyclists** (CW4)

### *Best Campaign Initiative*

Winner: **BetterStreets4KC** for re-energised and effective campaigning in Kensington and Chelsea

*Best Family-Friendly Event*

Winner: **Sarah Javaid** for Cycling Fun Day

Highly Commended: **Waltham Forest Cycle Campaign** (Walthamstow Family Bike Club Newcomers Ride), **Hounslow Cycling Campaign** ("Back in the Saddle" course), **Hounslow Cycling Campaign** (Biking Belles initiative) and **Newham Cyclists** (Bike from Boleyn/West Ham FC)

*Campaigner of the Year*

Winner: **Tim Lennon** (Richmond Cycling Campaign)

Highly commended: **Dan Kelly** (Waltham Forest Cycling Campaign) and **Shaun Howes** (Southwark Cyclists)

## H. BOARD ELECTION RESULT

As Returning Officer, LCC CEO Ashok Sinha announced that the following people had been elected to the Board, offering his commiserations and thanks to those who candidate who were unsuccessful:

**Pearl Ahrens**  
**Aidan Chisholm**  
**James Heath**  
**Stuart Kightley**  
**Eilidh Murray**  
**Sarah Strong**

**There being no other formal business the AGM was closed.**