# Note of Cycle Rail Task Force Meeting held on 12<sup>th</sup> February 2010 at ATOC

## Present:

Peter McBride TfL

Alex Veitch ATOC/ CRIT Secretariat
Philip Darnton Cycling England (Chair)

Sharon Goodsell DfT

Simon Chapman Network Rail

## **Apologies**

Anthony Smith Passenger Focus

Ben Plowden TfL
David Mapp ATOC

#### Actions arising from meeting on 01.10.09

- 1. ACTION Network Rail would like CRIT to submit a list of the "next 5" Cycle Hubs, so that if a Hub currently on the list drops out, then there is an agreed replacement.
- 2. ACTION PD to ask Adrian Lord to contact SC to make available information on the type and cost of cycle parking equipment
- 3. ACTION PD to provide a note to SC that the purpose of the BIKE N RIDE and other cycle funding activity is to attract new cyclists, which implies a different facility quality than catering for people who already cycle to the station i.e. quality is equally important as quantity when spcificying new cycle parking infrastructure.
- 4. ACTION CRIT to write a response to the consultation on the Essex Thameside (c2c) franchise to recommend that the DfT adopt the recommendations of the SDG investigation into the quality and quantity of cycle parking that should be provided. AV to draft response and circulate to CRIT.
- 5. ACTION given the amount of activity currently underway, the CRIT agreed to schedule an additional meeting from 1000 1200 on Friday 26th March, at ATOC (Victoria Room). This is in addition to the meeting planned for Friday 14th May

## 01.10.01 Network Rail Update

Cycle Hubs

SC updated the group on progress with the Cycle Hubs as announced by the Secretary of State last year, and noted that one or possibly two hubs may drop off the list due to concerns from the Local Authority.

SC also noted that he would like the CRIT to formally endorse the choice of hubs and with this in mind, could the CRIT take a view on what other stations would be good candidates for a Hub SC should one or more drop out. The CRIT could then endorse a final list.

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Cycle Parking

SC explained that following a slightly delayed start, Network Rail are now on course to deliver £1m of cycle improvements this FY, in partnership with TOCs, with the potential for a further £1m next FY, subject to funding being available.

Relevant to both this and the Cycle Hub issue, SC wanted to clarify whether the main goal is to attract new cyclists, or serve existing cyclists – if the former, this implies that perhaps a higher quality provision is required.

With this in mind, SC was keen to get some information from Cycling England's technical consultant Adrian Lord on the costs and quality of equipment, and would like to have a note from Cycling England clarifying the target market for new improvements.

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## 01.10.02 | Steer Davies Gleave presentation – c2c franchise work

Steer Davies Gleave presented their recommendations on what new cycling provision should be provided with the new South Thameside franchise (c2c). The presentation is attached to this note.

The group agreed that it was important to try to influence DfT to take on these recommendations – not just on the quantity of new cycle spaces but the quality of provision as well.

ACTION - CRIT to write a response to the consultation on the Essex

	Thameside (c2c) franchise to recommend that the DfT adopt the recommendations of the SDG investigation into the quality and quantity of cycle parking that should be provided. AV to draft response and circulate to CRIT.
01.10.03	BIKE N RIDE Update
	For reasons of time, this item was not discussed.
	UPCOMING MEETINGS (all at ATOC)
	Additional meeting: Friday 26 <sup>th</sup> March – 1000 – 1200
	Friday 14 <sup>th</sup> May