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**CAMBUSLANG CYCLING PROJECT:  
REPORT TO CAMBUSLANG COMMUNITY COUNCIL MEETING – 17 FEBRUARY 2015**

The Cambuslang Cycling Project is being taken forward by a sub-group comprising John Bachtler, Neil Berry, Richard Cairns, Jane Churchill, Jim Ewing, Alison Hay, Iain McKenzie and Micky Ross.

1. **CamGlen Bike Town Initiative.** The Winter programme of adult-only guided rides is continuing every Wednesday during February, as is a programme of family rides on Wednesday/Saturday dates. The first set of cycle maintenance workshops is starting in March. Further details on these and other activities are available from the February update on Bike Town at: <http://www.healthynhappy.org.uk/bike-town>
2. **Clyde Walkway & Cycle Path.** In November, the Cycling Group submitted a bid for £18,000 (via HnH) to the Central Scotland Green Network Trust (CSGNT) to fund a feasibility study and technical appraisal of the Clyde Walkway and Cycle Path between Cambuslang Bridge and Dalmarnock Bridge. However, during December, the group had the opportunity to bid for a larger amount of funding from Transport Scotland instead, and in January were successful in being awarded £25,000. Of this sum, £20,000 is being used to commission the feasibility study; following a tendering process, on 3 February the study was awarded to Ironside Farrar who have now started work. A walk-through of the site was organised on 13 February. The remaining £5,000 will be used for managing the grant and HnH/CCC administrative costs associated with the project. The feasibility study will need to be completed by the end of March 2015.
3. **Closed Road Cycle Track (Bogleshole Road).** The project group set up to develop the project forward has met twice since early December, chaired by John Bachtler, and involving Cllr Richard Tullet, Cllr Graham Simpson, Gerry Campbell and Nick Lansdell (SL Leisure), Ken Meek (SLC Economic Development), Simon Pilpel (SLC Countryside Access), Richard Cairns (Cambuslang Cycling Group), Jane Churchill and Jim Ewing (HnH - CamGlen Bike Town) and Alison Hay and Gregor Yeoman (East Kilbride Road Club). Recent meetings have also been held with sportscotland, Scottish Enterprise and Clyde Gateway, all of whom are supportive. Negotiations are underway with Scottish Enterprise for acquisition of the site and feasibility study research has started. Work is being done on funding sources and legal options for the project group, and consultations with cycling clubs and the community is being planned. A technical expert from British Cycling visited the site on 12 February to advice on drawing up possible configurations for track layout.
4. **Westburn Link.** Iain McKenzie and Micky Ross are taking the project forward. Ian Frame is helping with an approach to Scottish Power to discuss their potential support (and possibly funding) for the alternative route between the Overton Grange estate and the NCR 75, which runs past the Scottish Power substation at Westburn.

John Bachtler, 16 February 2015