

CTC SCOTLAND COMMITTEE MEETING OF 16.9.06

Summary of meeting held at St Columba's church, St Vincent's St, Glasgow.

Present:- John Taylor (Chair), Michael Bonar (Vice-Chair), Isobel Fletcher (Secy) (IF), George DiPonio (Treas), Billy Dickson, Ron Harrow, Peter Hayman (PH), Peter Martin, Alex Patterson, Gerard Vlaar (GV).

Alex Patterson had replaced Clare Little for Try Cycling Tayside.

Apologies:- George Berwick, Steve Carroll, Brian Curtis, Pat Harrow.

Birthday Rides. (Dumfries, 2006). One of the best, and one of the few to make a profit (!), c£2000.

Challenge ride. Lothians DA pursuing this for 2007.

Tri-Vets Ride 2007. Peter Hawkins proceeding with organisation.

Glasgow to Ayr Ride. PH and IF undertook to look into organising a ride along the old A77 in 2008.

Relationship with Right to Ride. This has been a bone of contention over many years. After debate, it was agreed to amend the constitution at next AGM to create two seats for Right to Ride reps, these hopefully being chosen by election.

CTCS/Right to Ride weekend. Recalling the success of such a weekend held at Perth a few years ago, it was agreed to look into organising one in connection with our AGM on Jan 20/21 at Edzell hostel. *(Subsequently, it transpired that Right to Ride members were not willing, so the idea was dropped).*

Try Cycling Tayside. Alex Pattison had been in post since May, and was in the act of reconstructing the project to attract funding for continuation after Jan 07. It was agreed that we would contribute a representative to the Management Group. GV volunteered to fill that post. *(Subsequently done).*

CTCS Future. There has been a longstanding recognition that to be more effective in Scotland we need a permanent base from which to work, preferably with paid staff. Since such core funding is not available per se, we need a project to hang it on. Consideration was given to the possibility of rolling out CTC led training schemes, but it was agreed to defer further consideration until the Try Cycling model was worked out. National Office staff would assist such a project, and their recent greater involvement in Scotland was acknowledged.

CTCS Councillor. It was noted that there was a call for nominations for the vacant post of Councillor for Scotland. Currently, Ex-Councillors Brian Curtis and Pat Harrow are standing in, in so far as they can do constitutionally. No names were forthcoming.

Next Meeting. *It was subsequently agreed that AGM, followed by Committee meeting, would be on Jan 20, 2007, at St Mark's church, Castle Terrace, Edinburgh at 10.30am (from West End, Princes, St, turn into Lothian road, and turn left into Castle Terrace).*

All members are invited to be observers, and will be given an opportunity to speak.