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### **BEST RIDES LEADERS OF 2015!**

On Saturday 17 October London Cycling Campaign (LCC) held the 2015 Campaigner Awards Ceremony celebrating the work of local groups and activists. Our very own rides team, **Roger Mace** and **John Dunn**, won awards for Best Ride Leader. LCC said:

'For the past 15 years Roger and John have been a reliable and dedicated team, who have worked together to promote a big programme of rides which have become increasingly popular and cater for all abilities.'



This award will be no surprise to anyone who has come along on a Bread Pudding Ride or one of Roger's Challenge Rides - it's great that they've now received London-wide recognition too. Well done!

# **COUNCIL DEBATE NEW MALDEN-RAYNES PARK MINI HOLLAND PETITION**



Kingston Council have won funding of more than £30m from Transport for London to improve cycle infrastructure in the Borough. They are calling this <u>Go Cycle</u>. Here's an example of a greenway.

Also known as Mini Holland, a key part of programme is the proposed greenway running alongside the railway line between New Malden and Raynes Park stations. This greenway would lie over an existing Thames Water main, linking to the proposed routes to Central London.

On Tuesday 13 October the Council debated our petition in favour, with 1700 signatures, and a petition against, with 700. The Councillors who spoke were in favour of the route. Thames Water need to replace/repair their pipes before construction begins and they say it could be two years before they can do so. It is important that this opportunity is not wasted. Kingston Council, TfL and Thames Water need to reach an agreement in principle to build this.

Apparently RBK are still looking at alternatives. We are frustrated with how they continue to waste time and money when there is such support in the community and when this route is clearly superior; it's direct and fully protected from motor traffic.

Thank you to everyone who signed our petition and to Amy Summers at LCC for her help. We're winning the argument but that's only part of the battle.

# **BREAD PUDDING RIDES THIS WINTER**

## They're all free and no need to book!

Sunday 13 December 2015	Local ride 10:30am start
Sunday 10 January 2016	Local ride 10:30am start
Sunday 24 January 2016	Local ride 10:30am start
Sunday 7 February 2016	Challenge ride 10:00am start
Sunday 21 February 2016	Local ride 10:30am start



Rides meet in Kingston's Ancient Market Place unless stated. Day rides stop for a pub lunch. Remember your lights and a spare inner tube.

# **PUBLIC CONSULTATIONS**

On 28 October our campaigners and other interested parties attended a 'blue skies thinking' consultation. This was run by RBK's retained consultants, Atkins Global, at RBK's offices. There was much discussion of the proposed **Boardway** and what form it might take; many attendees were favourable, some less so.

This has the potential to be a great amenity for the community, to improve the waterside, and to be a safe cycle route into and around Kingston Town Centre but the devil will be in the detail.

Look out for the **Wheatfield Way Greenway** consultation at the end of the year - make sure your voice is heard.

# **MONTHLY CAMPAIGN MEETINGS**



We meet at the Kingston Environment Centre at 1 Kingston Road, KT3 3PE, New Malden - right by the Fountain roundabout. We usually meet at 8pm on the second Tuesday of each month:

- 8 December
- 12 January
- 9 February

We post any changes on our <u>Twitter feed</u> and at <u>www.kingstoncycling.org.uk</u>

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