MOBIKES REAPPEAR (BRIEFLY?) IN WEST EALING





All are welcome to our meetings at 7:30pm on the first Wednesday of every month. The next dates are:

3rd January and 7th February.



www.ealingcycling.org.uk @EalingCyclists Registered Charity #1115789 S eptember brought news from dockless cycle hire operator Mobike that they were withdrawing operations from Manchester, and reducing the acceptable parking zone in Ealing back to the original 2017 trial area in Acton.

Recently, however, the orange bikes have returned to the streets of South Ealing, and can be unlocked via the app. This could be part of their promise to "extend this area progressively" as they told the press in September, but it might also be a temporary staging of the bicycles withdrawn from Manchester.

Even accounting for the returning supply, winter weather hasn't yet made them as popular as they were this past spring. Nick Moffitt



Perivale and Southall Greenford, Hanwell, Northolt, Ealing, LCC newsletter for Acton, The

WEST EALING LIVEABLE NEIGHBOURHOOD



There has been concern for a long time that West Ealing has become the poor relation of Ealing's main centre further along the Uxbridge Road. The council applied for money to improve it and was awarded £6.5 million by Transport for London as part of the 'Liveable Neighbourhood" scheme. Many local organisations, ECC among them, publicised the matter and solicited input from members of the public.

ECC attended a meeting this month to be updated on progress. The feasibility study describing the suggested improvements is being written and will be issued for approval by the end of 2018. Following approval the detailed design can start, and construction will begin late in 2019, continuing through 2020. The aim of the project is to help West Ealing feel more like a

neighbourhood where people are happy to walk, cycle and spend time. This involves tidying up various open spaces and the passageways and roads that tie them together.

The important news for ECC is that the option of a separate cycle lane along the Uxbridge Road has been adopted following its overwhelming support in the consultation survey. The cycle route along Mattock Lane will be linked to and through Dean Gardens by improvement of the junction with Northfield Avenue. The gardens themselves are to be improved roughly in line with a drawing in the council's original bid. See the following links:

https://bit.ly/2DGhywu

http://live-west-ealing.co.uk

for a general feel of the project more detailed than we can go into here. We have few firm details at present but shall pass on what we can when the report is issued.

Easy to cross

David Lomas



RIDES SCHEDULE WINTER 2019

A ll rides start from Ealing Town Hall. Meet at 9.45am for a 10am **A** departure. Bring locks, and as the daylight hours will be short, don't forget lights. Our Leisurely Rides cover a distance of approx. 20 miles at a steady pace. We take a refreshment stop and aim to return to Ealing by around 3pm.

If you have any questions, please contact:

rides@ealingcycling.org.

Sunday 06 January

Start the New Year with an invigorating ride to Bushy Park via Richmond Park. Wrap up warm to blow away the cobwebs after the festive season and enjoy the Parks in their winter colours. The ride is mainly flat, with a slope from Barnes up to Richmond Park, and a short moderate hill in Richmond Park. Our efforts are rewarded with lunch the Pheasantry Café in Bushy Park and a gentle ride back to Ealing.

Sunday 03 February: Northala Fields and Osterley

A familiar local route, heading up through Pitshanger and Perivale to reach Northala Fields, then down to the Grand Union Canal at Southall, turning off through Heston to reach Osterley Park for refreshments at the Stables café. Then it's a short ride home via the Hanwell Locks.

Sunday 03 March: Pinner Village and the Heath Robinson Museum

An exploration of Metroland, visiting the parks and gardens of Pinner, seeing the strange memorial in the churchyard, and stopping for lunch in one of the various pubs and cafés on the High Street, or at Daisy's in the Park Café at the Heath Robinson Museum. We will have time to visit the museum if this is of interest (admission charge).

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