

# Minutes

## Cyclox Monthly Meeting Weds 7<sup>th</sup> Jan 2004

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The first main Cyclox meeting of the year was a roaring success: over 40 people packed into an upstairs room at East Oxford Community Centre to see a presentation by Graham Paul Smith (Oxonian CC, and Dept of Urban Design, Oxford Brookes). Graham's slides showed how certain northern European cities have been designed so that they are much easier to cycle around:

- Space taken from motor vehicles and reallocated to cycles;
- Streetscapes that make the driver want or need to drive more slowly;
- Innovative road designs that put those on bikes first.

This excellent and highly informative presentation gave us plenty of inspiration for making Oxford a more convenient place to cycle. Many thanks, Graham, for your hard work in putting the presentation together. Let's hope we see some of Graham's ideas being put into practice in Oxford in the coming years!

### Next Cyclox meeting 4<sup>th</sup> Feb at 7 pm East Oxford Community Centre

The next main Cyclox meeting will deal with Cyclox's submission to East Oxford Action / Oxon CC about Cowley Road. This is a huge safety improvement scheme and we must make sure we put forward the strongest case possible that maximises benefits to cyclists.

Blue Cowley Road feedback forms (from East Oxford Action): for people's personal feedback on the Safety Improvement Scheme

Dom Scholfield (Oxford Cycle Workshop) and Clare Symonds (East Oxford Action) have only received a handful of feedback forms from cyclists (as given out at the Cyclox meeting on 5 Nov). This is terrible! This is the opportunity for people who cycle to make our voices heard - you cannot afford to miss this chance to say how you (as an individual) think about Cowley Road.

The good news is that it isn't too late - yet. Please can you make sure that you fill out your form and return it before 29 Jan to EOA or OCW:

East Oxford Action (EOA) SS Mary & John Church Hall Cowley Road OX4 1UR 01865 791372	Oxford Cycle Workshop (OCW) 39 Magdalen Rd OX4 1RB 01865 204799
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If you've lost your form, simply pick up another one. (EOA will be giving them out on Cowley Road until Saturday 31 Jan). Remember that Dom is keen for you to go and discuss your ideas with him at OCW - for shop opening times ring 01865 204799.

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## **North Oxford Cyclox**

Quite a lot is happening in North Oxford as far as cycling is concerned. Peter Lister is setting up a North Oxford Cyclox group to begin dealing with the issues arising. Please email him at [northoxford\(at\)cyclox.org](mailto:northoxford(at)cyclox.org) if you're interested in sorting out cycling in North Oxford and you'd like to be on his email contacts list (for setting up a discussion group or a North Oxford Cyclox meeting at some point in the future). If you want to find out more, come to the next Cyclox meeting (4 Feb, 7 pm East Oxford Community Centre). And keep an eye on the website (<http://www.cyclox.org>) where we hope to publish details on this and the rest of Cyclox in the coming weeks.

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