

Cycle Run Friday 15 May 2015.

Participants:

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NSCH

Blackfriars Rd

- No overtaking cyclists signs required on both directions south of Webber St
- Blacken over advisory markings as there is a false sense of security for the cyclists and wrong impression for the driver (width around 3.2m)



- The chicane on the southbound lane is very sharp which leaves a pinch point. Options could be to either make the chicane smoother and tighten up lane width or widen to remove the conflict



- From St Georges Circus northbound for buses and cyclists – there seems to be no secondary signal visible. Is there a plan to put one in?

St Georges Rd/Elliots Row

- There is a cyclist only sign facing exiting traffic from Elliots Row. This is an obstruction for southbound cyclists following CS7. It needs pulling tight into the heras fencing or remove altogether as it is not necessary.

E&C

- All is satisfactory at present

Oval

- Camberwell Rd junction with Clapham Rd – signs show pedestrian crossing closed but the lights were still on and no barriers nor diversion signs. Is the red man constant?



- Andy felt there were some conflicts on Kennington Park Rd so we looked at CCTV back in the office. Unfortunately the view was obscured. Andy will report on his next ride through.
- A lot of the signal poles have 2 foot high advertising boards. If the guys on site can be reminded to remove please.



NLE

- Both cycle group representatives are very pleased with how the layout is working.

CS5

Harleyford Rd

- Use bus lane sign was obstructing the bus lane due to insufficient footway width. Site operatives asked to remove altogether as was not needed.
- No overtaking cyclists sign also on the footway would be better placed in the centre of the carriageway where there is TM. Drivers will have better view of sign if to the right. A smaller sign could be placed on the footway to highlight further.
- Concerns of the merge which is also a concern. Suggest to monitor this site

Vauxhall Gyratory

- Alan mentioned that Metropolis showed interest in a cycle breakdown facility/service dept. Alan will ask the manager (Mark) to contact me to liaise with our cycle team.

Other concerns picked up

- Development Site on Kennington Lane (Allen build) – issues with HGVs parking in the loading bay waiting to access site facing against the flow. Marshals are holding traffic for multiple vehicles to access which is delaying buses etc. Also, whilst this is occurring, there are no marshals to hold pedestrians.
- Wheel washing on site doesn't seem to be working well as spoil from the site is being washed into the carriageway via the footway leaving a slippery surface for vulnerable users. I have spoke to the developer to raise the concerns. He has told me that this will not be re-occurring.





Clapham Rd – Thames Water work

- TM has some cones missing which was causing vehicles to drive over area designed to avoid conflict
- The chicane is very tight which is causing a pinch point for cyclists and vehicle weight being displaced whilst manoeuvring the site. Suggestions to lengthen area to remove pinch point and make manoeuvring safer. This will need further cones to highlight.
- I have spoken to James Stevens (WCaP) who contacted the utility to tidy up TM and remove issues.



Standard signage



Group discussion

Only other comment from me would be to note all the variations of 'no overtaking cyclists' signage on the network I.E. some are white on red, some say 'Avoid'

Also our discussion about 'Cyclists Dismount' signs around the Vauxhall shared areas while works are on site that reduces the available capacity. Consensus was that we should use 'cycle slow down' signs.