**CAMPAIGNS REPORT by Melanie Carroll:**

"I'd like to start by thanking Andy Townhill (Lincoln), Tim Newbery (North & North East Lincs), Les Parker (Sleaford), Roy Redman (Grantham), Trevor Halstead (Gainsborough) for their work on campaigning for better cycle infrastructure for all cyclists, and for their work in encouraging and promoting cycling amongst their local councils, organisations and most importantly amongst the populace in general. Without people like these willing and able to do what they can in their local areas this important work wouldn't happen as it does - and I'd like to encourage all members to do what they can and when they can locally - or nationally - too. Our individual voices are key and important if we want to see change happen and the roads be safe for cyclists of all ages, genders and types.

This year saw the council put out a number of surveys and consultations on potential changes across our county for cycle infrastructure, sadly most of these potential infrastructure changes - little and few as they were - did not come into happening as not enough individuals took part to support cycling, and in some instances where they did get the peoples approval at consultation where then almost immediately rolled back due to the few strident voices before the changes even had a chance to be tested and utilised - and yet we know that in most cases the majority of people like ourselves support change for cycling, however they don't voice that opinion when it matters and so the voices of the vocal few tend to win.

In this county that meant projects in Skegness, Boston, Lincoln & villages, Grimsby and Grantham now won't be going ahead, in other places in Louth, Lincoln and elsewhere have been modified so much now as to largely be redundant, and the areas and roads in these places remain closed to new cyclists young and old, differently abled or otherwise, who need the infrastructure to enable them to safely and confidently start and also to continue cycling.

Please I exhort you all look for these consultations, and others, and voice your opinion and encourage others you know to do the same. Write to your local councillors and let them know what you need - ask to go on local community panels, speak out and be active and proactive. When we are there, active and heard things can and do happen.

Some of the things that happened this year due to this activity:

Grantham - new joining path between the Town centre and Londonthorpe Woods.

A Letsmovelincs cycling leaflet listing everyday cycle routes & places to lock bikes.

North & North East Lincs - representation on Cycle Lincolnshire panels, and other consultations about cycle routes.

Gainsborough - continued work on a cycle & walking route along the Trent and to the villages.

A forthcoming event to encourage people to cycle run in conjunction with Community Connectors and Social Prescribers.

A Letsmovelincolnshire leaflet similar to the Grantham one.

Lincoln - continued representation at stakeholders meetings and consultations on new roads.

Barriers removed/addressed at Five Mile Bridge.

We will continue to keep an eye on what is going on, we will continue to liase and network, and we will continue to voice the concerns of all cyclists, those already cycling and those that would if it was easier and safer and to do this we will continue working with organisation from the Councils themselves, across to Active Lincolnshire, with our allies at Sustrans, and with other cycling bodies such as Love to Ride (worth mentioning is that the love to Ride stats are used by the council to see where and what type of people want to cycle and can be encouraged to cycle, so please do sign up and use that platform to help demonstrate to the council that there is a will and a want for cycling for everyone!)".

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**REGISTRATION OFFICER'S REPORT by Melanie Carroll:**

I am pleased to say that we currently have 341 cycling UK members that are listed within the Lincolnshire Registration area. Better yet we had 37 new members join us this year and only 3 that have lapsed recently it seems.

 We also have 5 Affiliate Cycle Clubs registered in the county, along with 1 new cycle group and 2 new events organisations.

These are good figures but please do continue to encourage others to join Cycling UK - whatever type of cyclist they are!