Local Committee/RAC Action Plans and Committee Successes

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1. Burnaby Local Committee

Objectives

Objective One: Continue Strong Assessment Ride Report and Feedback Precedence

Action(s) to support:

- Conduct 3+ Assessment Rides while being diligent on feedback and presentation. Assessment ride reports can take a long while to create. Properly determining our audience and intended goal can help determine if a lengthy report should be drafted or if a smaller, more agile letter or email will suffice.
- Continue to provide feedback on quickbuild projects.
- Route/Area Suggestions: South East and Cariboo, Metrotown Area/Victory, Lakes

Benefits:

By maintaining our strong precedence we can continue to assess infrastructure and provide feedback to the proper stakeholders. Keeping our audience in mind and our desired outcome can keep feedback size and complexity in check. Saving us time from creating a larger and unwieldy ride report that may be unnecessary.

Lead Person or co-leads:

Co-Chairs w/the rest of the group

How will you know you've achieved this objective?

- Conduct 3+ Assessment Rides.
- Provide 3+ Reports/Feedback documents. Whether agile emails or more in depth reports.

Objective Two: Continue Good Working Relationship with Stakeholders

Action(s) to support:

- Use Letters to Reinforce Positivity Keep in mind that letters can sometimes generate a considerable amount of noise that hinders the overall process and is the antithesis of how we may actually want to work. For example, a good relationship with the CoB transportation department allows addressing many concerns more efficiently by informal email.
- Continue attending quarterly meetings with transportation. Whether preemptively invited or if we initiate the meeting ourselves, the transportation team is willing to and enjoys meeting with us.
- Follow up and support cycling initiatives from councilors, such as NRTOR.
- Jasper to keep attending Transportation Committee meetings making sure the bike perspective is heard and recorded in the minutes, which may directly influence Council decisions.
- Continue providing correspondence with/from concerned residents.

Benefits:

- Maintains and fosters current positive outlook and perception of the Burnaby Local Committee.
- Removes obstructions faced by other committees, making our advocacy more effective and collaborative.

Lead Person or co-leads:

Co-Chairs w/the rest of the group

How will you know you've achieved this objective?

- When stakeholders are still open and accepting to hear/deal with us.
- We will know this goal is achieved when our voice is continued to be heard.
- When recommendations are not actioned on there are constructive reasons provided, giving stakeholders an opportunity to explain their positions. Thus strengthening our future advocacy.

Objective Three: Establish Perpetual List of Priorities

Action(s) to support:

- Create a perpetual list of priorities that is updated at a regular cadence. Ranging from gaps to broader infrastructure items.
- Create a perpetual priorities list for gaps and infrastructure improvements
- Revisit our current gap-map with areas in need of improvement ("gaps") sorted by [priority/impact][cost/effort]. Also including maze gates (perhaps separate map or layer). A well-maintained and visually appealing representation of gaps will allow us to efficiently use the many opportunities for feedback to the City of Burnaby (both public and in dedicated meetings) to advocate for upgrades where they are most needed.

Benefits:

- Will prevent the less structured and more ad hoc approach that we have been typically using.
- Provides direction to our actions.

Lead Person or co-leads: Co-Chairs w/the rest of the group

How will you know you've achieved this objective?

- We will know we've completed this objective once the list has been created, discussed and updated at a quarterly cadence
- We have a clear list of priorities that are updated at a regular cadence.
- Reassess how the gap map is maintained and degree of usability. (HUB's data and needs will be kept and met.)

What support from HUB can help you achieve these objectives?

HUB can provide support for questions and guidance as they come up. Particularly around

the gap map and priorities.

Successes

What were the top three accomplishments of the Local Committee over the past year?

- Midtown Assessment Ride and Report, which was the first of several assessment rides and recommendation reporting.
- With Success of the midtown report and additional letters around elephant's feet and green paint, we've started to see better signage and markings on Burnaby MUP's.
 We've been told that the city is working on elephant's feet and green paint initiatives as well.
- Maintained strong committee participation. Despite losing a few members, we have gained some as well.

Looking at your 3 objectives from your 2023 action plan, please specify which objectives you achieved last year. If not, what were the challenges you encountered?

- Strengthen Committee Attendance (Achieved)
- Attend Hats Off Day plus another event (almost achieved)
- Continue gap work (Achieved for the year)

Do any committee members serve on related external committees? Who serves on which committees?

Jasper Tam serves on the the Transportation Committee

Have your committees worked with or formed any coalitions or alliances with any like-minded organizations? If so, which organizations?

- New West and Burnaby Discords have cross committee use and are quite active.
- Dragona from Tri-cities has attended a meeting and been in contact about a project.

How many community events did your committee participate in this past year? (e.g. tabling at a farmer's market or car free day)

Hat's Off Day (Car Free Day)

What pieces of new cycling infrastructure were built or upgraded in your Local Committee area in 2023?Please include the route and extent, as well as the new or updated infrastructure

Midtown Bikeway has begun to receive improvements.

2. Delta Local Committee

Objectives

<u>Objective One: Continued advocacy for MUPs on 44th Ave in Ladner, a big stretch of</u> road.

Action(s) to support:

Continue to meet with City engineering staff and ensure this stretch of road is continuously mentioned in feedback on gaps.

Benefits:

- Filling in this gap would help connect to a number of destinations. MUP in front of Ladner Elementary School and this improvement would connect elementary school making it more feasible for families to bike to school
- MUP would also connect to a number of other services

Lead Person or co-leads:

Chair with support of Sandra Jones and Roelf

How will you know you've achieved this objective?

When the MUP is revisited by Council and approved.

Objective Two: Continue to advocate for cycling friendly/AT friendly 56th Street shopping centre

Action(s) to support:

- Lobbying council to fund the remaining 56th Street Shopping Centre Active Transportation as the developer of the mall has already agreed to fund it partially
- Continue to meet with developers of mall and ensure AT is taken into account not just within the mall but routes leading to the new shopping center

Benefits:

- This development will set precedent for other developments
- This will be a high density area in a few years for Delta/TWN and having it built in from the start of development will be cheaper in the long run
- Developer is also building state of the art underground storage facility for bikes so setting precedent for end of trip facilities in the area.

Lead Person or co-leads:

Chairs w/the rest of the group

How will you know you've achieved this objective?

- When city agrees to fund the remaining cost not covered by developers
- When there is a safe route to and through this new development .

Objective Three: Continue to advocate for a safer and better route to and within Tsawwassen Ferry Terminal

Action(s) to support:

- Disseminate report created by Delta/TFN Committee on BC Ferries Improvement to all relevant stakeholders
- Meet with Minister Popham (Tourism) and other Tourism stakeholders to advocate for benefits of safer AT routes to and through terminal
- Push for better wayfinding (signage) from City of Delta and BC Ferries similar to what they have done for the Delta Brewery District.

Benefits:

- Safety for people using AT to access terminal
- Increased tourism dollars when this route is a safe and publicized route for people wanting to visit the island(s) via bike

Lead Person or co-leads:

Neil Pope

How will you know you've achieved this objective?

- We will know we've completed this objective once there is better wayfinding (eg. maps displayed at key entry points for trails,, consistency in signage to indicate continuous path/network) to and through terminal for people on bikes
- When there is a safe and separated and well publicized route people on bikes can take to get to the ferry

What support from HUB can help you achieve these objectives?

HUB can facilitate meetings with relevant stakeholders (e.g. BC Ferries, Minister Popham)

Successes

What were the top three accomplishments of the Local Committee over the past year?

- Got approval for MUP to be properly redone from 6th ave to 8th ave on 56th street.
 Also related, got approval for a bridge linking the MUP (in the same area between 6-8th Ave) to Winskill park improving overall connectivity
- Got approval for Culvert Bridge that will connect cyclists to Ladner West Dyke on 34th Ave. Will be built this summer.
- Successful talks with City of Delta and developer of 56th Street Shopping Centre.
 Plans are for MUP on 56th street, uni-directional on each side plus expanded sidewalk and buffer between sidewalk and MUP. Hasn't been funded but they have gone ahead with approving the design.

Looking at your 3 objectives from your 2023 action plan, please specify which objectives

you achieved last year. If not, what were the challenges you encountered?

No action plan submitted last year.

Do any committee members serve on related external committees? Who serves on which committees?

Sandra Jones serves on the Great Blue Heron Way advisory committee

Have your committees worked with or formed any coalitions or alliances with any like-minded organizations? If so, which organizations?

- Established good connection with Tourism Association of BC who are in favor of better ferry terminal connections for AT users
- Trails BC in regards to our work on Great Blue Heron Way project
- Great Blue Heron Way project advocates
- Delta Business Association

How many community events did your committee participate in this past year? $N\!/\!A$

What pieces of new cycling infrastructure were built or upgraded in your Local Committee area in 2023? Please include the route and extent, as well as the new or updated infrastructure

- Massey Tunnel: Completed Bridgeport Road bus connection to make it safer, also completed Hwy 99 at Hwy 17 offramp for cycling
- The Barns to Beaches route (linking breweries, beaches, etc. obtained significant funding for wayfinding and vehicle speed monitoring/slowing, on 64th ave, etc. Helps HUB because its route connects to the bike shuttle through the tunnel to BC Ferries and 64th ave is actively used.

3. Maple Ridge/Pitt Meadows Local Committee

Objectives

Objective One:

Maple Ridge - come up with a plan and action for a bike friendly Maple Ridge downtown core and the key routes leading to it.

Pitt Meadows - implement the AT plan with specific emphasis on the Harris Road complete streets project.

Action(s) to support:

Maple Ridge:

- Articulate a vision for a Maple Ridge bike friendly downtown.
- Appraise the existing bike network and identify the gaps to fill.
- Communicate the vision to the City and community to get buy-in.
- Work with Council and city engineers to build out the network incrementally over multiple budget cycles
- Rally the citizens of Maple Ridge to attend key Council meetings and info meetings to show support for changes wanted

Pitt Meadows:

- continue to lobby the city staff and support ATAC to Implement the ATP
- rally the citizens of Pitt Meadows to support this

Benefits:

As downtown has the highest concentrations of destinations and area residents, a bike friendly downtown benefits the most people and is the most hopeful location to achieve tangible results.

Lead Person or co-leads:

MR: Ivan and PM:Peter

How will you know you've achieved this objective?

- Positive receptions from City Council, Engineering and the community at large.
- Gaps identified by the vision being filled over time.

Objective Two: Promote Active School Travel in Maple Ridge and Pitt Meadows

Action(s) to support

- Participate in the Active School Travel (AST) Symposium being organized by Climate HUB MR in April 2024
- Connect with stakeholders in the community (DPAC,PACS, Climate HUB on an ongoing basis to share info and formulate plans that will facilitate AST)

- Engage with the the cities of Maple Ridge and Pitt Meadows, both staff and elected officials, as well as SD#42 to encourage collaboration between the city and school district to work towards AST implementation.
- Engage/partner with one school in going forward with assessing the barriers to AST at their school and then support them in taking steps to achieve AST.
- Educate DPAC and PAC groups by attending meetings when invited, about HUB educational programs that their schools can ask to have done there as well as give info and resources about School Streets pilots, programs and toolkits that are currently available and have been successful.

Benefits:

AST benefits the entire scope of humanity by decreasing the use of cars and increasing health, academic performance and well being of children. There are minimal opportunities for children to safely actively transport themselves to school in Maple Ridge and Pitt Meadows presently.

Lead Person or co-leads:

Jenny Wright

How will you know you've achieved this objective?

If we can document more children actively transporting themselves to school.

Objective Three: Continue with increasing community engagement and obtain feedback and data to understand what are the barriers to cycling in our cities are

Action(s) to support:

- participate at GETI Fest and Earth Day: survey attendees and engage in conversations
- collect data; seek out and engage with research oriented groups to design surveys and/or studies to collect hard data
- strive to increase our local committee active membership numbers to support our community engagement
- organize 2 group rides
- promote our website
- participate in the PM Day parade
- participate in events by other like stakeholders, ie Climate HUB, First Nations events, Farmer's Market, Community Festivals so as to increase our visibility and profile in the community.
- engage the citizens of Pitt Meadows and Maple Ridge and encourage them to attend key council meetings and information sessions held by city staff. Encourage citizens to give feedback to the elected city officials

Benefits:

Community engagement is important so that the city staff and council understand what the citizens of Maple Ridge and Pitt Meadows want and need in order for them to cycle more. Having data that can be presented to city and elected officials can provide them with this information.

Lead Person or co-leads:

Michael, Ivan and Jackie

How will you know you've achieved this objective?

- increased active membership and engagement in projects
- collection of hard data and completion of a study and the presentation of it to city staff and council.

What support from HUB can help you achieve these objectives?

- Survey templates, Connect us to research people who can run studies/create surveys such as university profs who may have undergrad honours students or grad students who can do this
- participation in events such as the Climate Hub Symposium this spring which will focus on AST in SD#42, attend DPAC meetings when asked, support our local committee needs as we support Bike To School Week
- Support our positive relationship development with city staff and council: bi-annual networking meetings with other local committees are beneficial for finding out how other local committees have managed this and other challenges within their cities/municipalities.

Anything else to add:

To be honest, the amount of volunteer hours that are needed in each Metro Vancouver community, in order to be effective advocates for cycling, is overwhelming. It would be great if there was more funding for more paid staff to help each community do the work it takes to really see changes happen.

Successes

What were the top three accomplishments of the Local Committee over the past year?

 Relationship building with key stakeholders-DPAC, elected officials,Climate HUB
 Active engagement with city staff to give feedback on the MR STP that was approved in 2023 and active engagement with the PM city council and staff on the ATP approved in 2023.
 Written feedback on cycling projects that the city proposes

4)Active engagement in The PM Day parade, GETI Fest, Earth Day and Climate HUB events where we had the opportunity to engage with citizens of both cities.

Looking at your 3 objectives from your 2023 action plan, please specify which objectives you achieved last year. If not, what were the challenges you encountered?

We accomplished the objectives of giving feedback and input on the MR STP and on the PM ATP and were able to influence a few changes in them. We accomplished certain aspects of all of our objectives.

Do any committee members serve on related external committees? Who serves on which committees?

- TAC MR

- ATAC PM

Have your committees worked with or formed any coalitions or alliances with any like-minded organizations? If so, which organizations?

DPAC, Climate HUB, Katzie First Nation, Seniors Network, RM recycling,

How many community events did your committee participate in this past year? >5 and < 10

Did your Local Committee have any additional achievements of note? (e.g. awards won, funding received...)

Jackie Chow won a Volunteer Appreciation Award from HUB in 2023

What pieces of new cycling infrastructure were built or upgraded in your Local Committee area in 2023? Please include the route and extent, as well as the new or updated infrastructure

- MUP Hammond Road from 203rd to West St
- MUP from 203rd St to Laity Street and from 117th AVE to Lougheed Hwy
- South Bonson MUP network is in progress

New Westminster Local Committee

Objectives

Objective One: Active Transportation Network Plan (ATNP)

Action(s) to support:

Keep up with progress on the Active Transportation Network Plan and provide support when necessary.

Benefits:

Position HUB New West as key stakeholder in discussion around Active Transportation.

Lead Person or co-leads:

Heidi

How will you know you've achieved this objective?

When HUB suggestions have been incorporated into the final plan

Objective Two: Support Local Youth

Action(s) to support:

Go By Bike Week and Climate Action participation

Benefits:

- Foster relationships with the local community and engage next generation of AT advocates.

Lead Person or co-leads:

Jaq, Damian, Eden Rose

How will you know you've achieved this objective?

Objective Three: Bike Day

Action(s) to support: Community Bike Day.

Benefits:

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Providing free bikes for folks who may not otherwise have access

Lead Person or co-leads: Fulton and Robert

How will you know you've achieved this objective?

What support from HUB can help you achieve these objectives?

Anything else to add?

NWLC is doing member-led project based activism, where members come to share progress on their projects, get support from the rest of the group, and/or bring others on board to work on their projects together. This allows folks to be involved in whatever way works best for them, and to take action on topics that most interest them. Based on the Agile Learning model. While we don't necessarily have 3 overarching objectives, various members have come up with projects that they've come up with to work on alone or in groups. Some are time bound, others are not. Some have clear ends, others are more relationship or community focused and are ongoing.

Successes

What were the top three accomplishments of the Local Committee over the past year?

Success. We read through the document together and had meetings with city staff to ensure adequate support.

Looking at your 3 objectives from your 2023 action plan, please specify which objectives you achieved last year. If not, what were the challenges you encountered? Learning about and Supporting the Active Transportation Network Plan

Do any committee members serve on related external committees? Who serves on which committees?

n/a

Have your committees worked with or formed any coalitions or alliances with any like-minded organizations? If so, which organizations? Walkers Caucus

How many community events did your committee participate in this past year? (e.g. tabling at a farmer's market or car free day)

What pieces of new cycling infrastructure were built or upgraded in your Local Committee area in 2023?Please include the route and extent, as well as the new or updated infrastructure

New West Secondary School connector

North Shore Local Committee

Objectives

Objective One: Completion of 3 top priority bikeways (without gaps)

Action(s) to support:

Work with Staff and local councils prioritized closure of the remaining gaps on our 3 top priority route (corridors)

Benefits:

Just as a bridge 80% across a river is not useful, these 3 routes are not very useful due to serious gaps. Our 3 top priority routes provide safe and desirable cycling routes for many North Shore residents to get where they work/shop/play/school and a base for expanding safe cycling routes over the north shore.

Lead Person or co-leads:

Municipal Liaison teams

How will you know you've achieved this objective?

Completion of these routes without gaps

Objective Two: Enhanced communication with the North Shore community

Action(s) to support:

Improved posting on our media changes and attract more followers to the channels

Benefits:

Mayors & Councilors need to feel that the community will support them when they spend political capital and tax dollars on Cycling infrastructure

Lead Person or co-leads:

Committee Communications Team

How will you know you've achieved this objective?

Increase supportive public input to Municipal cycling projects

Objective Three: Recruiting more active members to the local committee

Action(s) to support:

Increase awareness of the committee and get more people to attend our meeting and get involved

Benefits: Share the workload and avoid burnout

Lead Person or co-leads: Co-chairs (Paul and Don)

How will you know you've achieved this objective? Increase meeting attendance, and fill more open positions

What support from HUB can help you achieve these objectives? Enhance Local Committee visibility & encouraging people to attend a LC meeting

Anything else to add:

Successes

What were the top three accomplishments of the Local Committee over the past year? Big increase in AT spending in Municipalities, and completion of several major Gaps in our priority bike routes

Looking at your 3 objectives from your 2023 action plan, please specify which objectives you achieved last year. If not, what were the challenges you encountered? Slow but steady progress on prioritized routes. Still several away for completion. 2 of our public input campaigns got good results, but still have lots of skeptical or limited

2 of our public input campaigns got good results, but still have lots of skeptica active support Councillors.

Lost several key LC members (work or other live obligations) but recruited a couple more. still need to build the team.

Do any committee members serve on related external committees? Who serves on which committees?

N/A

Have your committees worked with or formed any coalitions or alliances with any like-minded organizations? If so, which organizations?

Not really but will be exploring on this this year

How many community events did your committee participate in this past year? Only 2 or 3. Need a leader for this, Also to do rides.

Did your Local Committee have any additional achievements of note? (e.g. awards won, funding received...)

We got DNV to put back or 10m\$ into the 2023 Active Transportation budget.

What pieces of new cycling infrastructure were built or upgraded in your Local Committee area in 2023? Please include the route and extent, as well as the new or updated infrastructure

see summary in our 2024 Goals setting presentation - <u>https://wiki.bikehub.ca/images/e/e7/HUB-NS_2024_Goals-setting.pdf</u>

Richmond Local Committee

Objectives

Objective One: Support and accelerate the implementation of Richmond's Cycling Network Plan

Action(s) to support:

- Bring easy-to-address cycling infrastructure gaps to City, e.g. No 3 Rd walkway to be used as an MUP (already used by people on scooters and bikes in addition to pedestrians).
- Identify parts of Richmond's cycling network plan that are both scheduled for the long term (i.e. not for 5~10 years) and are along routes which could be implemented with rapid implementation strategies (e.g. excess parking lane)
- Communicate with City staff contacts about proposed locations
- If possible, present to council with staff about rapid implementation options

Benefits:

- To make Richmond/YVR a more bike-friendly city so that cycling will be more comfortable for a wider range of cycling abilities, and not just for people who are stronger riders. Infrastructure such as MUP's can be useful for other groups, such as people using other micro mobility devices like e-scooters, people using motorized or non-motorized wheelchairs, and pedestrians, joggers, dog walkers, etc.
- Helps to build out cycling network faster
- City staff are less likely to consider rapid implementation for items in the short/medium term, since the existing plan calls for more permanent infrastructure.

Lead Person or co-leads:

Jesse, Devyn, Jeff/ Anna, Sheryl

How will you know you've achieved this objective?

- Organized list of potential sites for rapid implementation/other easy-fix opportunities
- Acknowledgement from staff that they are investigating these opportunities
- Presentation to council by staff and/or us on rapid implementation options

Objective Two: Increase more participation in HUB Richmond/YVR

Action(s) to support:

- Community rides, community events/booths, meetings,
- online engagement (answering questions, discussions, use of social media)
- Alternate between in-person and online meetings to give people more flexibility in attending meetings

Benefits:

To build a community who cares about biking in their city and to make HUB more visible in facilitating these connections and a resource that can direct their questions/concerns.

Lead Person or co-leads:

Donna, Jesse, Devyn, Anna

How will you know you've achieved this objective?

If there is positive participation at events, online engagement, and meetings.

Objective Three: Advocate for higher quantities of bike parking

Action(s) to support:

- Work with City staff to consider a pilot program where bike parking stalls are installed on City property in front of businesses upon request, similar to Vancouver's
- Work with local businesses/business associations to capitalize on demand from cyclists for convenient bike parking
- Propose bike parking structure design contest

Benefits:

Having bike parking options available nearby businesses makes it easier to do errands like shopping by bike.

Lead Person or co-leads:

Vincent and Jesse

How will you know you've achieved this objective?

Check if the individual initiatives we have succeed (i.e. result in relevant actions taken by other organizations)

What support from HUB can help you achieve these objectives?

Any research HUB has done to support objectives such as bike parking (already received) would be useful.

Successes

What were the top three accomplishments of the Local Committee over the past year? Looking at your 3 objectives from your 2023 action plan, please specify which objectives you achieved last year. If not, what were the challenges you encountered?

- Advocating for additional funding for the Steveston MUP to finally be passed
- Garlic Ride, community ride (led by Devyn)
- Participation from more (younger) community members who are committed to/passionate about improving cycling infrastructure.

Looking at your 3 objectives from your 2023 action plan, please specify which objectives you achieved last year. If not, what were the challenges you encountered?

- Advocating for cycling infrastructure
- Increasing participation in HUB Richmond/YVR
- Education some education done at Garlic Festival Ride; emails sent to member group.Could have engaged more with the io group (larger member group)

Do any committee members serve on related external committees? Who serves on which committees?

- RATC ('Richmond Active Transportation Committee) Jesse, Derek, Sheryl, Anna (sometimes)
- Great Blue Heron Way (Sheryl)

Have your committees worked with or formed any coalitions or alliances with any like-minded organizations? If so, which organizations?

We contacted the Richmond Centre for Disability during our campaign for the Steveston Hwy MUP, and have a contact and notes on what types of initiatives they may be in support of.

Also contacted the Play Streets Initiative and will visit one of their events to see if HUB can possibly contribute a booth with games/fun education about cycling in the future.

How many community events did your committee participate in this past year?

Three events (Booth at Participaction Day; Garlic Festival Ride; Dyke Ride in fall)

Did your Local Committee have any additional achievements of note? (e.g. awards won, funding received...)

Assessment ride of Shell Rd

What pieces of new cycling infrastructure were built or upgraded in your Local Committee area in 2023? Please include the route and extent, as well as the new or updated infrastructure

No major upgrades. Some plastic bollards were raised at some intersections such as Garden City and Alderbridge, Ryan Rd and Leonard near Bridge Elementary school.

Surrey/White RockCommittee

Objectives

Objective One: Complete 3 community rides (including supporting Rotary Ride)

Action(s) to support:

Organize community bike rides for spring, summer and fall.

Benefits:

Engaging the community, inviting people to ride more.

Lead Person or co-leads:

Tim, Alaina, Robert

How will you know you've achieved this objective? Completed three rides.

Objective Two: Advocate for safe cycling for all ages and abilities in Surrey

Action(s) to support:

-Ride with Translink CEO and Surrey Planning department,
-meetings with City
- Presentations to council.

Benefits:

People of all ages and abilities should be provided safety on the roadways on a bike, walking or any other form of transportation.

Lead Person or co-leads:

Tim and Alaina

How will you know you've achieved this objective?

The City updates it's project plans to include safe active transportation.

Objective Three: Advocate for improved stakeholder engagement

Action(s) to support:

Letter writing, presentations, meetings

Benefits:

The City of Surrey doesn't have any stakeholder engagement process for Transportation projects. There isn't any ability to change project plans to improve safety for people walking, cycling and rolling

Lead Person or co-leads:

Tim, Robert

How will you know you've achieved this objective?

The City implements a formal stakeholder engagement process for transportation projects.

What support from HUB can help you achieve these objectives?

Email campaigns, letters, media engagement, meet with policy makers

Successes

What were the top three accomplishments of the Local Committee over the past year?

- Held 5 community bike rides
- Made relationship with the Surrey Rotary Club and presented to them about HUB and the proposed combined bike ride
- Presented to the Environment Committee, City of Surrey
- Met with city engineers regarding projects and wrote letters
- Ride training for 3 volunteers

Looking at your 3 objectives from your 2023 action plan, please specify which objectives you achieved last year. If not, what were the challenges you encountered?

We do not know if Vision Zero grant was applied for. Guessing not. Other 2 objectives were met

Do any committee members serve on related external committees? Who serves on which committees?

No

Have your committees worked with or formed any coalitions or alliances with any like-minded organizations? If so, which organizations?

CCTS and 050 cycling club, Surrey Rotary club

How many community events did your committee participate in this past year? (e.g. tabling at a farmer's market or car free day)

2 events - Community bike ride with Rotary Club and Newton Street festival

What pieces of new cycling infrastructure were built or upgraded in your Local Committee area in 2023?Please include the route and extent, as well as the new or updated infrastructure

City Centre quick build project

Tri-Cities Local Committee

Objectives

Objective One:Improve relationships with local governments

Action(s) to support:

- Have a committee meeting with a representative from the KFN
- Have a committee meeting with a representative from each of PoCo, Port Moody, or Coquitlam staff or council
- Have a committee meeting with representatives from MOTI and Metro Vancouver in 2023
- Have email correspondence with Belcarra or Anmore representatives at least once
- Keep apprised of relevant survey/feedback opportunities in Coquitlam
- Keep apprised of relevant survey/feedback opportunities in Port Coquitlam
- Keep apprised of relevant survey/feedback opportunities in Port Moody
- Write one letter, hold a stakeholder meeting, or a get new story in the local press about each of the Top 10 gaps

Benefits:

Lead Person or co-leads:

Andrew, Colleen, Vince

How will you know you've achieved this objective?

When we have completed the objectives above.

Objective Two: Improve Integration with Community

Action(s) to support:

- Use Tri-City Fix to keep track of citizens' cycling concerns
- Use MailChimp metrics to keep track of our reach. Colin will review metrics in viewership & opens in March, June, September, and December to determine trends and make any adjustments.
- Have at least four articles in local media (Tri-City News, Tri-Cities Dispatch) this year
- Better integrate with HUB community booths by offering promotional materials, such as Tri-City Fix links and a map of our achievements
- Reach out to Tri-Cities Cycling at least once per year
- Reach out to TORCA at least once per year
- Reach out to Force of Nature at least once per year
- Ensure all new members get a link to the Welcome brochure.

Host at least one assessment or social ride

Benefits:

Lead Person or co-leads:

Colin and Dragana

How will you know you've achieved this objective?

When we have these actions marked off on our action plan

Successes

What were the top three accomplishments of the Local Committee over the past year?

Looking at your 3 objectives from your 2023 action plan, please specify which objectives you achieved last year. If not, what were the challenges you encountered?

In terms of last years objective to improve relationships with local govt the following have been achieved:

- Colin has reached out to the KFN multiple times with no response
- Port Moody attended our May meeting.
- Coquitlam attended our July meeting.
- Port Coquitlam will attend the November meeting.
- MOTI has attended our March 2023 meeting
- Colleen met with Metro Vancouver in summer 2023.
- Colleen has received email correspondence from Belcarra Councillor Clark regarding Belcarra priorities.
- Work underway view our progress here <u>https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1Vnj5HsTayMCJPMt602BHcwpvHRB3mjXZ3Gi</u> <u>g2Y_Del4/edit?usp=sharing</u>
- All maze gates mapped and work underway to remove them

In terms of improve relationships with local community the following has been achieved;

- April 4 Noted that our percentage open rate remains in the mid-high 50% range (56-58%), but the mailing list is quickly growing. Whereas October was 145 opens, we are now at 167.
- June 25 We've cracked 60% opens, now at approx 180+ opens.
- 4/4:

<u>Tri-Cities Dispatch</u> article on Clarke/Guildford, March 16
<u>Tri-City News</u> article on the Sumiqwuelu signage, March 18
<u>Tri-Cities Dispatch</u> article on Coquitlam's Transportation Plan, May 29
<u>Tri-Cities Dispatch</u> article on Bike to Shop, August 8
Committee decided the booth gifts are sufficient.

- Dragana reached out to Tri-Cities Cycling on March 2. Tri-Cities Cycling is not an advocacy-focused group and thus do not require regular engagement.
- Dragana reached out to TORCA on February 28. TORCA is not an advocacy-focused group and thus do not require regular engagement.
- Dragana reached out to Force of Nature on February 28. Force of Nature is no longer very active in the transportation advocacy group and thus does not require frequent contact.

Do any committee members serve on related external committees? Who serves on which committees?

Andrew Hartline is on the Port Moody Transportation Committee

Have your committees worked with or formed any coalitions or alliances with any like-minded organizations? If so, which organizations? Force of Nature, TORCA

How many community events did your committee participate in this past year? (e.g. tabling at a farmer's market or car free day)

What pieces of new cycling infrastructure were built or upgraded in your Local Committee area in 2023?Please include the route and extent, as well as the new or updated infrastructure

1	United Boulevard, Coquitlam		March 4	
2	Guildford Way, Coquitlam / Port Moody		<u>March 9</u>	
4	Clarke Street, Port Moody	<u>March 16</u>	<u>March 9</u>	
5	Sasamat Greenway, Belcarra/Anmore/Port Moody			Summer 2023
6	Coquitlam Central Station to the Port Mann Bridge, Coquitlam	March 18		
7	Mary Hill Bypass, Port Coquitlam/Coquitlam			<u>March 7</u>

Vancouver Local Committee

Objectives

Objective One: Continuously improve committee functioning

Action(s) to support:

We held elections for co chairs in March 2023, and with a new co chair in place have an opportunity to bring new ideas to our local committee. We do not plan to hold an election in 2024. We will work to make LC meetings relevant and valuable for all attendees, including posting documents promptly and providing links to more information. We plan to hold 10 meetings in 2024.

We will hold a combination of virtual meetings, and hybrid meetings with in person and virtual options. We will maintain the Current Consultations list (updated monthly) to encourage LC member participation in City consultations, particularly those requiring expressions of public support to be more likely to be approved by staff and council.

Agendas will be distributed in the week prior to meetings; minutes will be distributed promptly and posted online for public access.

Committee email responses will be timely. We will bring in LC guest speakers when appropriate. We will continue to respond to all new committee attendee email enquiries and expressions of interest; invite members to attend a meeting and follow up with them at meetings and afterwards to improve our onboarding.

Benefits:

Lead Person or co-leads:

Co-Chairs

How will you know you've achieved this objective?

Objective Two: Strengthen working groups

Action(s) to support:

We will focus on those working groups with identified leaders and regular team activity, especially those active between monthly LC meetings. We will continue to encourage people to step forward for work on specific issues, spreading the load among more committee members.

Working Group – Assessment Rides

We plan to hold four assessment rides this year, with reports completed and submitted on each one. We will focus on current LC top infrastructure priorities, as well as potential projects identified in the CoV Active Mobility Plan.We will look back at completed projects and do follow up assessment rides where appropriate. Following submission of assessment ride reports, we will continue to meet with City staff to review and discuss the next steps.

Working Group- Cycling in Parks

We will engage with both city staff and Park Board commissioners and staff while pushing for improvements on the Seaside South Greenway (seawall) from Vanier Park through the Kits Beach area. We will promote the completion of this section with the public, the City, and Commissioners. We will continue to push for protected lanes in Stanley Park, utilizing the Stanley Park Mobility Study. We will engage on other park improvement opportunities as they are identified (eg EastPark, Queen Elizabeth Park, etc). We will continue to follow the efforts of the City to disband the Park Board.

Working Group- Arbutus Greenway

We will engage with the City and the public in the planning for additional Greenway improvements, particularly at intersections, until contracts are awarded for the permanent improvements. We will also promote improved connections at either end of this route, to the Seaside Greenway down Pine and 1st Ave; to the Granville Bridge Connector project (both underway); and to the Kent

Ave Bikeway, while acknowledging the sensitivity around the Musqueam lands.

Working Group – Broadway Subway and Broadway Plan

The CoV decided in March 2023 not to implement the protected lanes along Broadway that they had committed to in 2022. We will continue to push for safe access to all subway stations, and improvements to parallel routes. We will continue to advocate for a more complete street that includes cycling infrastructure on Broadway, recognizing that this is a medium term goal. We continue to engage with the Broadway Subway project team, on detours and roadwork, and monitor construction impacts and work to mitigate.

Benefits:

We use the working group structure to balance the workload between the co chairs and other LC members.

We proactively encourage participation from a diverse range of backgrounds and life-experiences. In 2024 we will launch a new working group on secure bike parking in response to committee member requests.

Lead Person or co-leads:

Co-Chairs

How will you know you've achieved this objective?

<u>Objective Three: Increase visibility of advocacy and maintain strong relationships with</u> <u>stakeholders</u>

Action(s) to support:

The LC does a good job with advocacy, but much of its advocacy work is opaque to HUB members in general, to members of the LC, and to the general public. Mainly through social media but also considering other communication outlets, we will publicize our advocacy efforts and positions on issues to raise the awareness of the work of LC volunteers.

We will build and maintain strong relationships with relevant government departments and elected officials to present HUB Cycling positions and improve alignment. This includes CoV staff in Engineering, Transportation Planning, City Planning, Greenest City/Smart City teams, Climate Emergency Action Plan team, and various special project teams. The relationship with City staff remains positive, with CoV teams reaching out for LC input, and agreeing to present at LC meetings. The Broadway Plan decisions have put some stress on these relationships. We will continue to work to build relationships with key councillors and Park Board commissioners. We will engage with authorities at UBC, including UBC planning, UEL, and MoTI to address identified gaps in the bikeway network.

Lead Person or co-leads:

Co-Chairs

How will you know you've achieved this objective?

Objective Four: Ongoing Bikeway Improvement Plans

Action(s) to support:

We will focus on improvements identified in the 5 year Active Mobility Plan We will continue to focus on East Side routes, from the Portside Greenway, to the East Side Crosscut, to the Kent Ave Bikeway. We will continue to engage with the public and the CoV consultation processes on improvements planned throughout 2024, including the Bute Greenway, the Drake St bikeway, the Granville Connector, the Portside Greenway, as well as other routes identified by the City from time to time. We will work to get MoTI to recognize the need for improvements to UBC along Marine Drive and 16th, building on the MoTI priority gap list and engagement work that they commenced.

Top Infrastructure Improvement Opportunities

We will maintain our Gap Priority List process (portfolio management) and enter all Vancouver/UBC gaps brought forward, adding items as the year progresses and new issues arise. We will update the Gap Priority List quarterly as action is taken by the City and other agencies on various items. We will maintain prototype maps of our Gap Priority List along with maps of the SoC assessed routes to further identify priority gaps.

Benefits:

Lead Person or co-leads: Co-Chairs

How will you know you've achieved this objective?

Objective Five: Top Infrastructure Improvement Opportunities

We will maintain our Gap Priority List process (portfolio management) and enter all Vancouver/UBC gaps brought forward, adding items as the year progresses and new issues arise. We will update the Gap Priority List quarterly as action is taken by the City and other agencies on various items. We will maintain prototype maps of our Gap Priority List along with maps of the SoC assessed routes to further identify priority gaps.

We will continue to work with property developers on projects that have a focus on improving cycling, whether through the funding of improved bike lanes or within the development itself. We will work with the Bay Building development team on their concept for a 1500 bike parkade in downtown Vancouver (Georgia and Granville), addressing a critical shortage of secure bicycle parking downtown

Lead Person or co-leads:

Co-Chairs

How will you know you've achieved this objective?

What support from HUB can help you achieve these objectives?

Successes

What were the top three accomplishments of the Local Committee over the past year?

We moved to a combination of virtual and hybrid meetings this past year. Our LC held 10 meetings with continued strong attendance. In person attendance was lower than virtual attendance. We migrated to Groups.io for both our mailing list and group chats for those who opt in. We continued with efforts to leverage the impact of our LC members who don't regularly attend meetings, with email and message calls to action and current consultations mailings.

Ongoing discussions with CoV Engineering and Transportation Planning. Note that overall, public engagement initiatives are still substantially reduced from pre-pandemic events.

Updated our LC Priority Gap List, mapped all route segments, and merged the data with the State of Cycling route inventory and assessment data, showing all LC priority gaps in the context of assessed current AT infrastructure. We made our priority gap list and map a focus of a local committee meeting and reviewed our list, and asked for additional suggestions.

Held a series of regular social rides for Local Committee members and others, recognizing that many members missed the face to face meetings

Current working groups include Cycling in Parks, Broadway Subway, Assessment Rides, the

Arbutus Greenway, the East Van Greenway, and Elections.

Looking at your 3 objectives from your 2023 action plan, please specify which objectives you achieved last year. If not, what were the challenges you encountered?

Do any committee members serve on related external committees? Who serves on which committees? Anthony Floyd, Vancouver Transportation Advisory Committee

Have your committees worked with or formed any coalitions or alliances with any like-minded organizations? If so, which organizations?

How many community events did your committee participate in this past year? (e.g. tabling at a farmer's market or car free day)

What pieces of new cycling infrastructure were built or upgraded in your Local Committee area in 2023?Please include the route and extent, as well as the new or updated infrastructure.

-Parking meter to bike rack conversion (2023)

-Central Valley Greenway Improvements (Clark to Victoria) (2023)

Regional Advisory Committee (RAC)

RAC Action Plan 2024 - 2025

Executive Summary

This 2024-2025 Regional Advisory Committee (RAC) Action Plan has been designed with a streamlined approach in mind for maximum impact. After a thorough review of the 2023-2024 Action Plan, we've condensed our committee's key priorities into five specific, achievable goals, ensuring our efforts are focused and measurable. These goals aim to support several of HUB's existing strategic priorities and Key Performance Indicators (KPIs) from the 2024-2025 Operating Plan, ensuring alignment with the broader organizational vision. Additionally, we've restructured this year's RAC Action Plan to include a synthesized appendix outlining the standing responsibilities of our committee, providing clarity and coherence. With these adjustments, we are poised to make meaningful strides in advancing cycling advocacy and education in our region.

Regional Advisory Committee Goals for 2024-2025

- Steward Cycling Advocacy in Regional Infrastructure Projects (HUB Strategic Goal 1)
- 2. Support and Collaborate with Key Stakeholders on Cycle Highways (HUB Strategic Goal 1)
- 3. Influence a Modernized Motor Vehicle Act (HUB Strategic Goal 4)
- 4. Activate JEDI learning and implementation (HUB Strategic Goal 6)
- 5. Champion HUB's Priority Gap List (PGL) (HUB Strategic Goal 10)

1. RAC Goal 1: Stewarding Advocacy in Regional Infrastructure Projects

Indicator/Action: Engage with relevant authorities on improvements for MOTI and regional infrastructure projects <u>at least twice per year</u> per project (e.g., letters, meetings, cycle rides, events), <u>as necessary</u>.

- MoTI projects
 - Fraser River Tunnel Project (Massey Tunnel replacement) Gap 121 (Delta) and Gap 606 (Richmond), as well as multiple gaps for connections along the corridor
 - Hwy 99 Corridor Improvements Gap 600 (Richmond) from Bridgeport to the tunnel; Gap 703 (Surrey) extending to the US border; Gap 704

(Surrey) at the Hwy 91/Hwy 99 interchange; Gap 1303 (Surrey) from Mud Bay Park to 8 Ave

- Patullo bridge replacement Gap 401 (New Westminster) for the approaches to the new bridge; Gap 409 (New Westminster) for the new bridge
- Hwy I widening east to Abbotsford no gaps listed
- Mary Hill Bypass improvements Gap 939 (Tri Cities) for Shaughnessy to the Port Mann Bridge; Gap 973 (Tri Cities) for the slip lanes at Shaughnessy
- United Boulevard (CVG connection to the Port Mann Bridge) Gap 402 (New Westminster) for the CVG extension to United; Gap 900 (Tri Cities) for United Blvd
- Harris and Lougheed Gap 323 (Maple Ridge/Pitt Meadows) along Lougheed at Harris; Gap 325 (Maple Ridge/Pitt Meadows) along Harris Rd at Lougheed
- MoTI Priority Gaps identified in 2021 Potential Cycle Highway routes across the region

2. RAC Goal 2: Support and Collaborate with Key Stakeholders on Cycle Highways

Indicator/Action: Gain <u>three new strategic endorsements</u> in support of HUB's Cycle Highways Study and/or a cycle highway project for Metro Vancouver envisioned by RAC (e.g. Boards of Trade, local/regional tourism organizations, Experience the Fraser, school districts, Business Improvement Associations, affected local committees).

3. RAC Goal 3: Influence a Modernized Motor Vehicle Act (MVA)

Indicator/Action: Support HUB staff in influencing a modernized MVA (e.g. attending meetings with authorities and other stakeholders; review and respond to draft changes to the MVA and supporting regulations; support staff work to refine/update our position paper; review staff-written letters, etc.). Upon adoption of a new MVA, support HUB staff in working with impacted organizations (ICBC, Translink, municipalities) to identify issues and resolve.If and when appropriate, connect with impacted organizations bi-annually.

4. RAC Strategic Goal 4: Actively implement and increase JEDI learnings

Indicator/Action: Deepen the integration of Justice, Equity, Diversity, and Inclusion (JEDI) principles into all aspects of RAC work.

- Ensure active collaboration with and continued learning from the HUB Staff DEI Committee and HUB's Director of Campaigns and Inclusion through regular check-ins and benchmarking.
- Facilitate two or more JEDI-focused conversations/lunch & learns with all committee members, foundational on the Cycling Equity Co-Learning and Action Toolkit.
- Regularly implement the three primary and conceptual practice frameworks for achieving cycling equity in RAC's regional advocacy work, as identified in the Cycling Equity Co-Learning and Action Toolkit. Intersectionality, Mobility Equity and Equitable Placemaking.
- Actively collaborate with one or more Local Committee chairs/volunteers with JEDI expertise and/or lived experience.
- Receive support and engagement from key community stakeholders, such as local First Nations, to help inform RAC's learning journey of more strategically and thoughtfully considering the barriers to cycling & active transportation accessibility for various equity-deserving groups across the region.

5. RAC Strategic Goal Goal 5: Champion HUB's Priority Gap List (PGL)

Indicator/Action: Actively champion and sponsor the utilization and development of the Priority Gap List (PGL) with local committees and RAC; champion the HUB MAP initiative

- Monitor rates of incorporation of priority gaps in local committee advocacy letter writing.
- Monitor currency of each LC gap list (dates since last updated)
- Facilitate learning opportunities both for the utilization of the tool and how it can support the LC.

APPENDIX A

Standing RAC Responsibilities:

- Engage with the relevant authorities to advocate for increases in funding for active transportation infrastructure, programs, and related services.
- Develop organizational positions for Board approval as opportunities are identified (collaborate with staff when necessary)
- Support staff in efforts to expand local committee capacity and capabilities.
- Leverage HUB's reports through strategic endorsements and advocacy, whenever possible.
- Continue to build and maintain strong relationships with relevant government departments/elected officials and strategic partners to present HUB Cycling positions and improve alignment (e.g. meetings, correspondence, cycle rides, workshops, etc).
 - Engage with representatives from the following groups when opportunity presents:
 - Ministers/Ministry staff
 - MoTI, both regional and Victoria staff
 - Provincial and/or Metro Vancouver tourism officials to establish a joint effort regarding cycle tourism
 - Provincial elected officials
 - Support staff with engaging with the following groups as needed:
 - Relevant federal elected officials Metro Vancouver
 - Translink
 - ICBC
 - Advocate for increased regional, provincial, and federal funding for cycling infrastructure, education and promotion projects
 - E.g. Push Translink to create new funding bucket for MBN/cycle highway build cost sharing
- Foster strong alliances with like-minded organizations
- Participate in semi-annual All Committee Workshops

APPENDIX B

HUB Strategic Priorities that underpin the 2024-2025 RAC Goals:

HUB's Strategic Goal 1: An expanded cycling network, with a focus on infrastructure that is comfortable for most users.

RAC Goal 1: Stewarding Advocacy in Regional Infrastructure Projects RAC Goal 2: Obtain Strategic Endorsements in support of Cycle Highways

HUB's Strategic Goal 4: A modernized BC Motor Vehicle Act (MVA) and other legislation to improve road safety and accountability for all.

RAC Goal 3: Influence a Modernized Motor Vehicle Act (MVA)

HUB Strategic Goal 6: Strengthened relationships with the communities we currently serve and expanded collaboration with new communities throughout British Columbia.

RAC Strategic Goal 4: Actively implement and increase RAC JEDI learnings

HUB's Strategic Goal 10: Better capture and utilization of data that supports evidence-based decision-making around cycling.

RAC Strategic Goal Goal 5: Champion HUB's Priority Gap List (PGL)