

# HUB Richmond/YVR Committee: *Meeting Minutes*

Thursday, June 10, 2021 • 7:00-8:30 PM

**Attendees:** Abbas Virji, Anna Chow, Bruno, Cat Rey, Cedric Lin, Derek Williams, Donna Kwan, Gail Townsley, Ingrid, Yvonne Bell.

**Guests:** David Grigg, Roel Schootman, Sandra Jones.

## LINKS:

[Meeting Agenda](#)

[Meeting Recording](#)

## 1. Welcome & Introductions Attended

- Check-in - name, pronouns and a short bit about how you got into cycling.
- Call to order for June 10 Agenda - any additions/omissions?
- Guests: Sandra and company to speak to committee members regarding Great Blue Heron Way

### **Sandra:**

- [facilitated presentation via slides—slides attached to minutes]
- Safe bike lanes and infrastructure will open access to Iona Beach and Trans-Canada Trail.

### **David:**

- Great Blue Heron Way provides a direct way to connect First Nations together. For families as project looks for AAA designation
- Trails in Richmond have been put in place that GBHW can utilize.
- GBHW and HUB Cycling should pressure the City to start building stagnant infrastructure.
- All trail loops around the city are approximately 30km.
- 30km route loop around Richmond and can also be used for events. Touch base with nature and get kids involved.
- Originally aimed to remove a traffic lane on Moray Bridge, but now proposing delineators. No need to replace Moray bridge unless the swing mechanism fails.
- For northbound YVR Connector, the bridge foundation for the bike lane is in place and ready for improvement.

### **Roel:**

- Delta has had a dyke trail (from 64th to 17th) installed as part of GBHW. Still an obstacle at port.

### **Derek:**

- Jennifer wants to shut down the traffic lane but no way YVR will support its occurrence.
- Delineators can be considered even if it is in the Ministry's jurisdiction for Moray and Bridgeport Bridge to YVR.
- Concern of motorists hitting dilenators and cleaning bike lanes; need to be addressed

- City of Richmond to build delineators from Granville Ave from Garden City to Railway.

## 2. Advocacy Opportunities/Barriers

- Involving schools into cycling.
- Signs directing to bike paths in Richmond.
- Promoting HUB through signs and ads.

### David:

- Using GBHW 30km trail loop around Richmond, more cycling events can be facilitated and promote HUB Cycling and cycling.

### Donna:

- Combine Slow Foods Tour and bike ride to promote Richmond and cycling. We have Terra Nova Farms and Kwantlen Farms.
- Slow Foods Tour can take a year of planning.
- More about getting people riding and raising awareness of HUB Cycling. Can do smaller rides along the greenway or trail.
- Boundary Bay Cycling clubs and others have running, cycling, and golfing events with no issue since they are encouraged with the pandemic.

### Cat:

- We can review COVID-19 protocols and see how we can host events.
- HUB Central has sent out information to start undergoing assessment rides.
- Could do a test run with our committee over the summer and see how a bike tour may work.

### Derek:

- We haven't done regular meetings over the Summer due to low attendance and giving others a break. We can do social gatherings and bike rides instead.
- HUB Richmond LC and Delta LC should arrange a bike ride together, so Delta LC could show highlights of Delta's bike rides and routes. Would be very interesting.
- Visions a route to cycle from Richmond to Delta without going through a bus or truck.

### Roel:

- Beautiful trail along River Rd W where it meets the dyke trail and Brunswick. Rides along the Salish River.

### Sandra:

- We use signage to show natural plants used by the Indigenous. Lots of features along certain trails. Great opportunity to raise awareness in Richmond of the Traditional Territory of the Indigenous. We receive funding for signage from Tsawwassen First Nations.
- No problem organizing bike rides together as the Co-Chair of HUB Delta LC has been doing it already. Some gaps in Ladner trails to the Bird Sanctuary. Organizing with Port and City to close the gap.

### 3. Review & Approval of Minutes for Virtual Meeting held May 13, 2021

- [Minutes](#) for May 13, 2021 meeting

**Derek:**

- We should do approval of minutes at the beginning of the meeting.

### 4. Items for Discussion

- Richmond LC Action Plan 2021
  - Previous Richmond LC Action Plan viewable [here](#) (**action item: everyone please review**)
  - Evan has provided us with information on making and completing an action plan. Should be completed and submitted to HUB over the summer. If you have things you would like us to consider for the action plan please let us know. Committee input would be greatly appreciated.

**Cat:**

- Wants the Committee to reach out and let us know what we want to achieve in 2021.
- Knows about building community but not so much on infrastructure.
- Wants to learn from the expertise of past and existing Committee members.

- TransLink onramp to southbound Highway 99
  - Any updates? (No updates expected)

**Derek:**

- No update and not a priority.

**Yvonne:**

- Been on the route before and won't take it again.

- Draft business case for [Great Blue Heron Way](#) D.Grigg, Infrastructure Planner for the GBHW seeking feedback from Richmond LC on business case.
  - Email text from D.Grigg to Stephen available [here](#)
- PR/Social Media - What this looks like and a PR/Social media person.
- Video - local committee update video for AGM on Sept 16th - request from HUB HQ.

**Cat:**

- HUB Central wants a video to promote HUB Local Committees due to a virtual All Committee Meeting. Take videos if we go for a bike ride with Delta LC.

**Derek:**

- Haven't done any video previously.
- City wants to install more permanent fences around the new bike park to protect younger BMX riders/users.

**Donna:**

- Take videos of Burnett's bike maintenance stands, new bike park at Granville Ave and Railway. West of Richmond Dyke Trail (north-southbound) has marshlands.
- Greatly unnoticed. Bike trail from Steveston to Ironwood on a Dyke along the Fraser River.

**Gail:**

- Many people riding on the Dyke, to and from Steveston, and along trails. Some go for beer at a Richmond Brewery and some go for pie.

- Peer-to-Peer meeting update (if time).
- Bicycles on Sidewalks - With warmer weather, there has been an influx. How to deal with this? Cat has experienced many close-calls with cyclists while walking. Received an email quite some time ago: a cyclist had a collision with a cyclist coming off the sidewalk and collided with them. Reference email.

**Cat:**

- Biking with a kid, when a parent, who was biking on the sidewalk, almost had a collision with her student. Would like to put in an Action Plan: educate youth of cycling.
- Cathy from HUB Central to share City of Richmond Cycling Network Plan survey through HUB Cycling Accounts.

**Derek:**

- Part of BC Cycling Regulations that cyclists must be on the road, and it is illegal to ride on sidewalks.
- Most ride on the sidewalk because they don't feel safe on the road.
- Up to the City to make it safe through education for cyclists and motorists. HUB Cycling can educate cyclists.
- Needs to start in schools and can't rely on parents.
- Been told that HUB Cycling's adult education program is good.

**Donna:**

- Funding available for workshops in elementary but more difficult for high school. Need to look out for inflated prices from education providers.

**Anna:**

- HUB Cycling has an online education program for cyclists and adults.
- Survey out by HUB Cycling. Table rest of items for next meeting.

## 5. New/Other Business

- Summer meetings? Why does the committee not meet in July and August?
- Cat will be attending a workshop later in June on land acknowledgements and how to write them etc. and will write one/report back for the next meeting.
- Meeting location ideas for when we can be in person again.

- A Richmond citizen, Angie, is holding rides to raise funds for kids with cancer and is inviting the community to join her in August for rides whether they fundraise or not. Click [here](#) for more information and/or to join

**Yvonne:**

- City of North Vancouver to combine municipalities to have BC make regulations to not allow motorists to drive within 3 feet of a cyclist.
- Maybe include the enforcement through ICBC Driver's Test.

**Derek:**

- Difficult to implement in London but easy in Richmond; people just don't respect it.
- Need to be part of the Motor Vehicle Act.
- Wonder if a letter from HUB Cycling would give "umph" to the City Council.

**Cat:**

- Concern or issue is enforcing this law.
- Let's address this in the next meeting and what it can look like.

**ITEMS TABLED FOR NEXT MEETING:**

**City of Richmond News / RATC**

- The city is looking for feedback from Richmond cyclists. Read about it and provide feedback [here](#)
- RATC updates to be determined.

**Assessment Rides and Reports**

- Assessment rides over the summer - How are folks feeling about this. Under the current
- Possible virtual tour: Woodward's Road from Railway Greenway to Parkside Trail. Oak St. Bridge virtual assessment ride - see link below
- Proposal by Andrew Picard for formal assessment rides - City is evaluating proposal.

**#UnGapTheMap Updates**

- Gap 619: Shell Road - Westminster to River Drive has been adopted. Is anyone familiar with this gap and can tell the committee more about it?

**HUB Cycling Notices and Upcoming Events**

- BTWW just ended last week. Did anyone participate?
- Streetwise cycling online has launched. For adult beginner riders click [here](#) to learn more
- [Learn more](#) about the HUB recommendations for the Transport 2050 phase

**Next meeting:**

September 9, 2021, 7:00pm - 8:30pm via Zoom. If you have items for the agenda, please email [richmond@bikehub.ca](mailto:richmond@bikehub.ca).