

Cycle Safety Working Group

Progress reports – November summary

Sub working group – highlights

- Risk Group –The MPS is taking the lead on targeted enforcement against careless and dangerous road users. The group is working with the Criminal Justice Board to review KSI collisions to strengthen cases, report available in spring 2011.
- Cycle Training – Met in November, current focus on improving the content of training. There are 5 areas which have been identified for improving which are:
 1. Level 1.8 'Stop quickly with control' should not be too difficult for beginners, so wording being amended.
 2. Level 2.13 'Be able to take the correct carriageway lane when needed' Change/amend the wording to 'be able to take the lane when needed'
 3. Level 3.1 (roundabouts) to ensure that the instructor teaches
 - a. Mini roundabouts
 - b. Single lane roundabouts
 - c. multi lane roundabouts
 - d. Signaled scenarios at roundabouts
 4. Level 3.2 – Filtering: The wording not consistent with the definition in the Highway Code so advise changing to 'Passing queuing traffic and entering the traffic stream'.
 - a. Level 3 – the following additions have been identified for level 3: Bike security and safe locking of bikes.
 - b. How to cycle near large vehicles. (compulsory)
 - c. Responsible cycle parking (compulsory)
 - d. Route planning and navigating
 - e. Cycling at night
 - f. Cycling in poor weather
 - g. Cycling with luggage
 - h. Cycling with people
 - i. Cycling with delivery bikes

Alex to take these recommended changes to the National Cycle Training Standards Board next week

- Safer infrastructure – Met on 2nd November. Reviewing ASL design and good practice. The group discussed speed control and a paper is being drafted on this subject. LCDS is being reviewed and will go out for consultation early in 2011.
- Lorry operation and design – Met 18th November. A 'Good practice for Operators' has been developed and review of existing research on technology and regulations is ongoing. A list is being provided with all existing HGV safety technology available (e.g. sensors, cameras etc) to be forwarded to London freight/fleet companies.

Member updates – highlights

TfL

- Certificate of Professional Competence (CPC) training launched 20th October. Early results from the first two course have shown that;
 - 94.4% agree or strongly agree that the understanding of the issues faced by vulnerable road users has improved.

- 88% agree or strongly agree that their attitude towards vulnerable road users has improved
- 90% agree or strongly agree that their actions will change to give more consideration to the issues faced by venerable road users
- Second burst of HGV and motorist cycle safety campaign campaigns planned for March 2011
- Cycle Safety Code and Space campaigns being developed (research into Code taking place with Cyclists in December), will launch in spring 2011.

Boroughs

- LBB&D, running the TfL Driver Certificate for of Professional Competence (Driver CPC) modules called “Safer London Driving”. This is tailored for the freight drivers operating in and around London. This should provide training for 360 freight drivers. (Contact: Nick Davies).
- H&Fulham, freight drivers employed by Serco for H&F due to be trained on programme in Lambeth (‘Involving cyclists as well’). This has won a LCC award.

CTC

- No update submitted

IAM

- No update submitted

FTA

- Developed a Cycling Strategy as part of MOU– comments from RoadPeace, LCC and TfL. Includes pointers for operators, cyclists and employers.
- Developed a ‘Cycle Safety Plan’ which is at draft level.

LCC

- LCC is focusing on lorry danger reduction and increasing its messages to cyclists to raise awareness of the risk from Lorries, supporting changing places events and developing messages to help drivers share the road safely.
- LCC is doing a feasibility study for a research project to identify and measure the flows of different types of vehicles and cyclists at sites where there have been fatal or very serious collisions.

Road Peace

- Input into CEMEX training video.
- Continuing to work on the good practice standards for freight industry.
- Media: Cynthia gave interview on ITV on conviction and sentencing of Dennis Putz.

MPS

- Developing the Cycle Safe online training for those receiving FPNs
- MPS has secured a sponsorship agreement with Cemex and Keltbrays whereby they provide vehicles for ‘Exchanging Places’ (20 vehicles p.a).
- MPS Traffic OCU have assisted with new Cemex safety DVD

Sustrans

- No update submitted