**Minutes of the meeting of the**

**Dundalk Cycling Alliance**

**23rd March 2016**

**1/ Attendance**

* Ollan, Tony, and Laim, with apologies from Pat and Fiona.

**2/ Minutes**

 The minutes of the 24th February 2016 meeting were read. Tony proposed and Ollan seconded their adoption. They were duly adopted and signed.

**3/ Matters arising**

* No new photographs of the cycle lanes at the shopping centre have been obtained.

**4/ Website.**

* Items to be added will be raised later.

**5/ Finance**

* There was no change to the finances.

**6/ Dundalk Cycle Lanes**

* Ollan advised that he has requested that shovel ready cycle lane projects be prepared by Louth CoCo to ensure that immediate application for grants can be made as such grants become available.
* Ollan also advised that a condition of planning permission to St Marys colleges application is the provision of a 2.5 meter segregated cycle lane along St. Mary’s Road. He asked Mark Dearey MCC to suggest linking the proposed cycle lane to the existing cycle lanes to add to its value and forestall criticism on the grounds that this cycle lane is going nowhere.
* Tony outlined why we must plan for cycle lanes when Hill street bridge is removed.

**7/ Cooley Cycle Route**

* Laim asked for help to prepare a proposal for submission to a County Councillor whom he knows. The proposal will be for a cycle lane to connect the existing cycle lane along the Castletown river to Bellurgan via the track of the former rail way using the existing abutments. Ollan agreed to help draft the proposal. This will be another link in the Cooley Cycle lane.
* Louth CoCO have reached Stage 2 of the Inter-reg funding to link Carlingford to Newry via Omeath.

**8/ AOB**

* None.

**9/ Next meeting**

The next meeting will be held on, Wednesday 27th April 2016 in Liam’s house from 20:00 to 21:30 hrs.

Liam Kieran

Chair DCA.

**Agenda for meeting on 27th April 2016**

**1/ Attendance:**

**2/ Minutes:**

**3/ Matters arising:**

**4/ Website:**

**5/ Finance:**

**6/ Dundalk Cycle Lanes:**

**7/ Cooley Cycle Lanes:**

**8/ AOB:**

**9/ Next meeting:**

**The next meeting will be held on Wednesday 25th May 2016 in Liam’s home from 20:00 to 21:30 hrs.**