

### 13. CYCLE STEERING GROUP REPORT

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The purpose of this report is to inform the Committee of the latest Cycle Steering Group meeting.

#### PROFILE OF CYCLE STEERING GROUP

The Cycle Steering Group has recognised that over the last year in particular, its level of reporting to the City Services Committee has been low. During 1999 the group was involved in the rewrite of the Cycle Strategy, and advising on the Network Plan. Consequently they did not cover many issues of direct interest to this Committee.

The Cycle Steering Group would now like to improve its liaison with this, and other Council Committees and Community Boards. As a result, a report of meetings will be presented at each City Services Meeting following Steering Group meetings. The group will also start liaising with Community Boards, probably through the mechanism of delegations, on issues of particular relevance to their wards.

#### CITY SERVICES INPUT TO STEERING GROUP

To restate, for those who are unfamiliar with the existence of the Cycle Steering Group or its role, the stated purpose of the Group is to:

- develop and monitor the implementation of the cycle strategy
- to comment on cycle aspects of Council projects
- to make recommendations where the council makes cycle policy decisions.

In these roles, the City Services Committee is free to ask for comments on cycling issues for which a broader perspective is sought than that available through the Cycle Planning Officer.

#### LATEST MEETING

Members of the Steering Group met on 18 May. The group had been asked by the City Streets Unit to review cycle issues on the proposed Tennyson Street redevelopment, and the Oxford Terrace redevelopment.

The Steering Group endorsed the concept of off-road cycle facilities on Tennyson Street (full details of which will be presented to the Committee in due course). The Group also recognised the innovative nature of the project, and have recommended that it be promoted as a demonstration concept when completed.

The Steering Group was cautious of the proposed redevelopment of Oxford Terrace, recognising that the cycle friendliness of the design was dependent upon the traffic calming nature of the slow-road. A preference has been expressed for separated facilities.

#### **CITY STREETS UNIT COMMENT**

The comments of the Cycle Steering Group have been fed into the appropriate consultation processes for the two projects. The cycle input to the projects will be noted when they are presented to the normal Committee approval process.

#### **Chairman's**

**Recommendation:** That the information be received.