

**Communities Select Committee 19 May 2014**

**Item 4: Public questions**

**Submitted by: Dr Ian Mason**

**Question 1:**

At this meeting, minutes will be presented of the meeting of the Communities Select Committee held at 10.00 am on 15 January 2014.

Under section 5.13.2 of these minutes it is noted that:

“Members queried whether businesses would be indemnified against losses on the weekend of the Prudential Ride London-Surrey. The Chairman requested that this be discussed outside of the meeting due to volume of detail which would be required to answer the question.”

I can find no record of these discussions or of their conclusion(s). It seems to me that this question of vital interest to Surrey businesses and residents. Can you help me locate where the relevant records might be lodged, or suggest what steps I might take to ensure this is followed up in the 19th May CSC meeting?

**Response:**

Following the successes of the 2013 event the London-Surrey 100 and Classic is planned for the 10th August 2014.

As with any event in the county, businesses will not be indemnified for any losses they incur on the event day. The event organiser, London/Surrey Cycle Partnership is working with communities on the route to ensure that wherever possible the opportunities the event brings can be maximised by Surrey businesses. As a key learning outcome access for residents during the event is being reviewed to ensure that wherever possible the impacts of the road closures required to support the safety of residents, spectators and event participants is kept to a minimum. The event organiser is currently working with residents and businesses on the route to share event information and plan for access during the road closures.

Through the changes to the route for the 2014 events, with a focus on the town centres and by working with the event sponsors and organisers we will be building on the success of 2013 to ensure that we continue to grow the event and allow businesses and charities to continue to benefit from the opportunities this world class event brings to Surrey.

**Mrs Denise Saliagopoulos**  
**Chairman of Communities Select Committee**

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