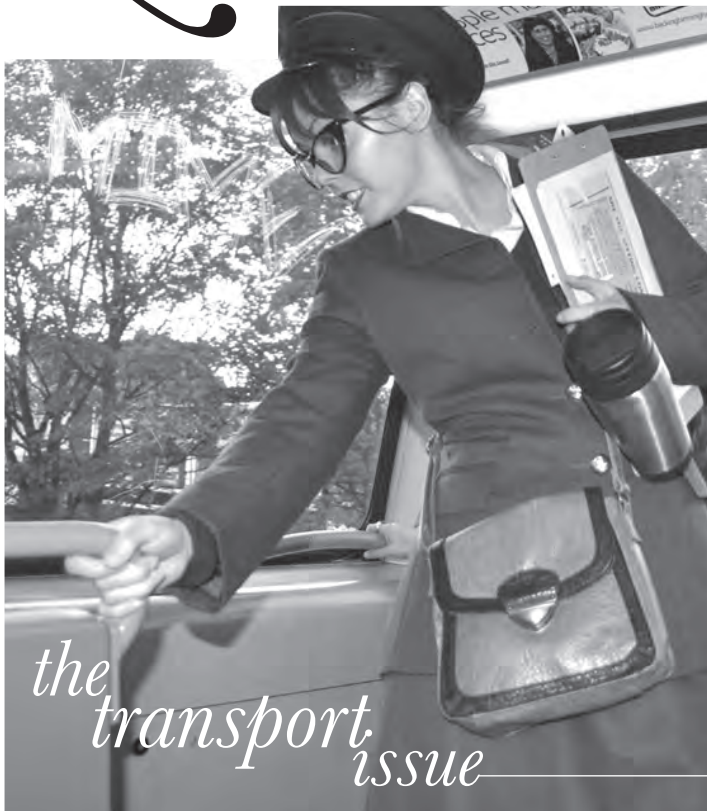


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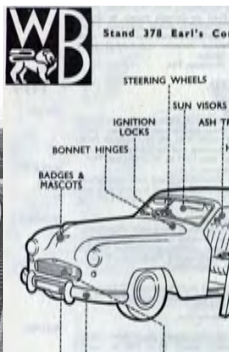
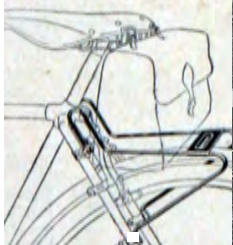
KNOWS



*the
transport
issue*

Outstanding Success

"LUBBER" Bag Support



Welcome to the fourth edition of the Sturchley Knows which celebrates what keeps Sturchley moving - trains, buses, bikes and more. At a recent workshop we came up with ideas to improve the

experience of travelling to and visiting Sturchley. These will be available soon. The village is defined by the routes that bring people here and some times carry people too quickly through without seeing what's on offer. Now served by the buses 45/47, 35, 27, 76, and 11 the Pershore road has seen horse drawn buses and trams - the last no. 36 tram ran in 1959. You may have been lucky enough to experience 'Sturchley from the Top Deck' (featured on the cover) on Sunday 6th November if you were travelling on the 45 or 47. If not visit www.sturchleyhappenings.wordpress.com to find out more.

The magazine is the face of Sturchley Prospects where it is designed and published, and is a slice of our activity. There will be a series of arts projects taking place in the next couple of months - so keep a look out and keep in touch.

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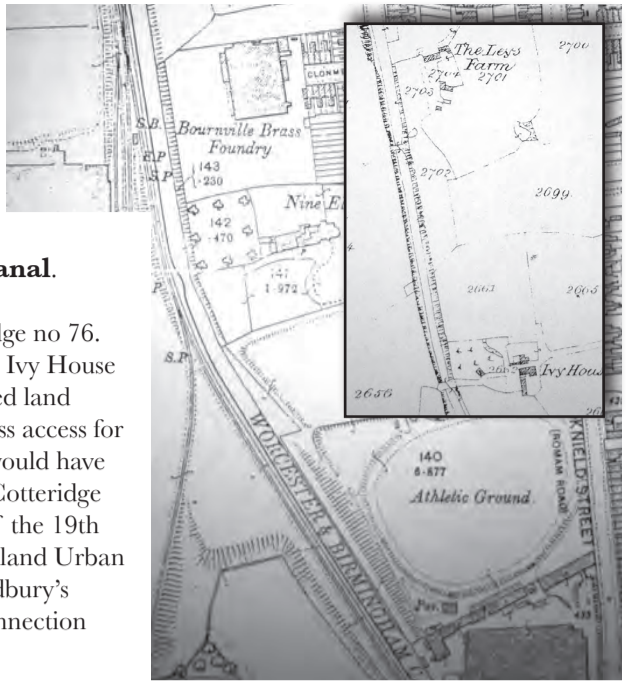
nose
of the month

*We are accepting
nominations for next month's
nose, so please get in touch.*

LOST PROPERTY

**Bridge No. 76
Birmingham to Worcester Canal.**

The 1840 Tithe map shows Bridge no 76, spanning the canal adjacent to Ivy House Farm. Perhaps this connection joined land owned by the farmer and gave access for grazing or working the land. This would have provided a route from Sturchley to Cotteridge which was lost in the last decades of the 19th century when the Birmingham Midland Urban railway and the engine sheds at Cadbury's became a physical barrier to the connection offered by this small bridge.



reader's letter

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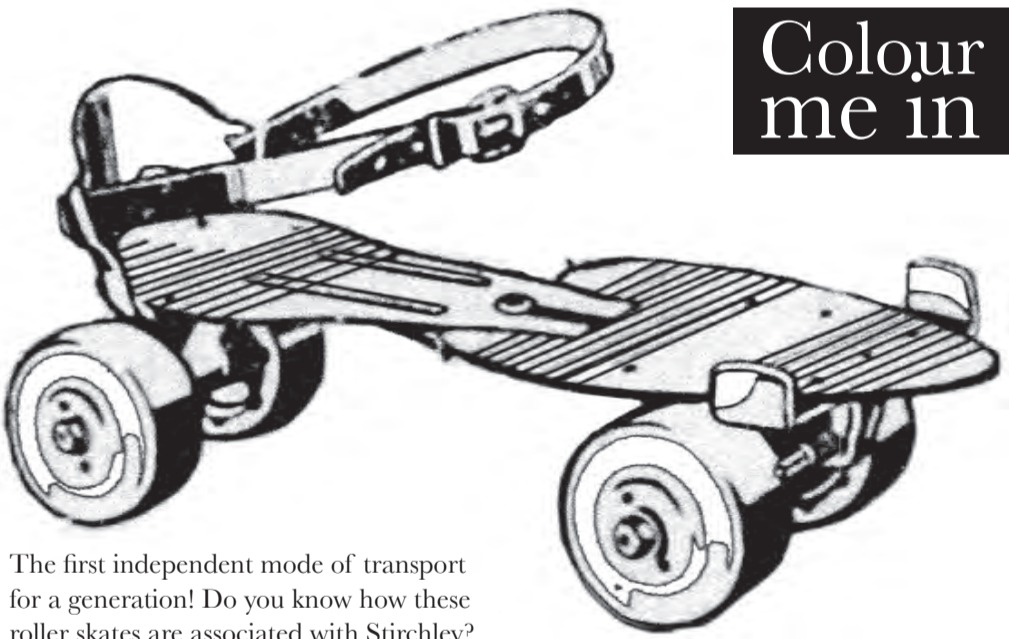
Dear Knows Readers,

The Birmingham Bike Foundry has recently moved into 1539 on Sturchley high street. We promote cycling and recycle and refurbish discarded bikes in a bid to make cycling more affordable. We are also a workers' co-operative, this means that we all have an equal say in the running of the shop and there are no bosses!

Since moving to a larger space in Sturchley we have expanded our mechanics training courses to give people the skills needed to maintain and repair their own bikes.

We do lots of work outside of the shop including a bike clinic at Sturchley Community Market, a Handsworth bike club, Femme Pedale bike rides, bike polo and critical mass to name a few. The only proven way to improve road safety and change motorists attitudes is to have more cyclists, so get on your bike.

- Chris, Fin, Lauren, Nancy.



Colour
me in

The first independent mode of transport for a generation! Do you know how these roller skates are associated with Sturchley?

Answers to: talktous@prospectors.org.uk

Previously:
Car & Motor Cycle
Dealers (Peter Taft's)
Ironmongers



Would it be a good idea to have a car share club or bikes for hire in Sturchley?

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Behind the shop front
- 1310 Pershore Road

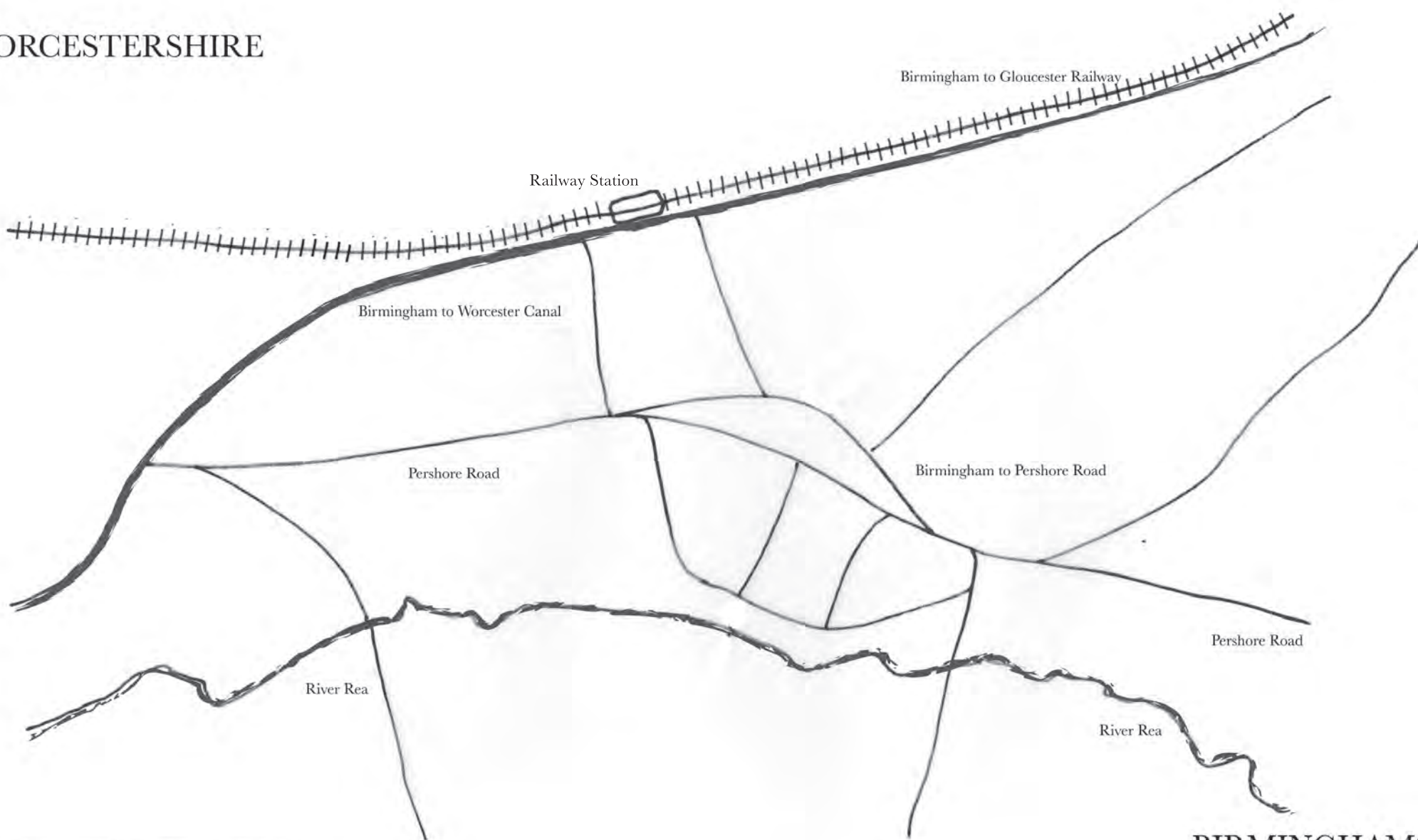
STIRCHLEY

1625 metres long

'Strutely Street' a small hamlet grew up where routes converged from neighbouring settlements. As it grew Sturchley's linearity was defined by its position close to the River Rea, the development of the road system to serve connections between Birmingham and regional centres and the building of the railways and canals. Hazelwell Street at the entrance to the gyratory system is said to align, for a short distance, with the Roman Road 'Icknield Street'. An act of paliament in 1790 approved the construction of the Birmingham to Worcester Canal and the surveying was done by John Snape between 1789 and 1792. Sturchley Street Station opened in 1876 and at one time there were active stations at Lifford and Hazelwell.

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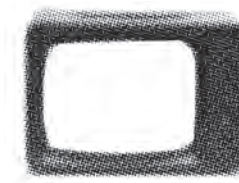
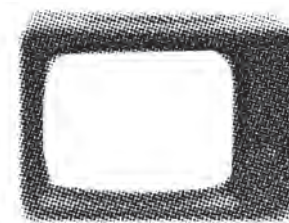
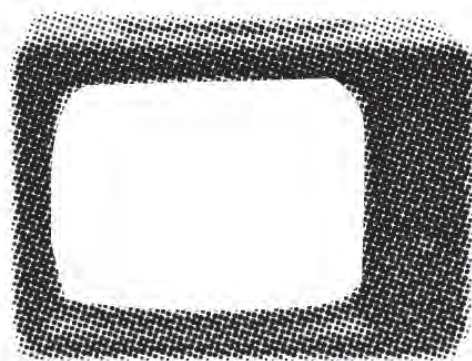
CONSTRAINING



DEFINING

BIRMINGHAM>

Thank you to those who have already kindly donated TV's. We still need more... If you are throwing out your working TV please can we have it to make a window display? We will dispose of it responsibly afterwards.



Did you KNOW?



The Pershore Road as we know it now has been known as Strutely Street, High Street, Old Highway, Hazelwell Street, Ickniel Street and Birmingham Road.

A road with
many names.



When you have finished reading the Stirchley Knows please pass it on to someone else so they can see what we are doing - especially if they are not a Prospector.

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