

# Petition for Heysham-Lancaster Cycle Route

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**Lancaster and District Cycle  
Campaign**

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Specifically, we aim for:

- More journeys being taken by bike; others are encouraged to cycle, so cycling becomes a normal choice.
- Road users obeying traffic laws, including speed limits.
- Council officers and Councillors facilitating safe local travel by foot and by bike when making planning decisions.
- Road design minimising conflict between motorised vehicles, cyclists and walkers: journeys feel safer and are safer.
- The council providing an expanded network of cycle routes and links between them.

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## Heysham Cycling Route

### Aim

To establish a direct traffic free route between the centre of Heysham and Lancaster, by linking Snatchems, by the River Lune, to Moss Lane (which connects to Abingdon Grove in Heysham).

### Why?

Cyclists commuting between Heysham and Lancaster must either take a long cycle path route via Morecambe or else use roads from Heysham to Salt Ayre. These road routes are not safe enough for family cycling and are not direct, as they must necessarily pass on either side of Heysham Moss.

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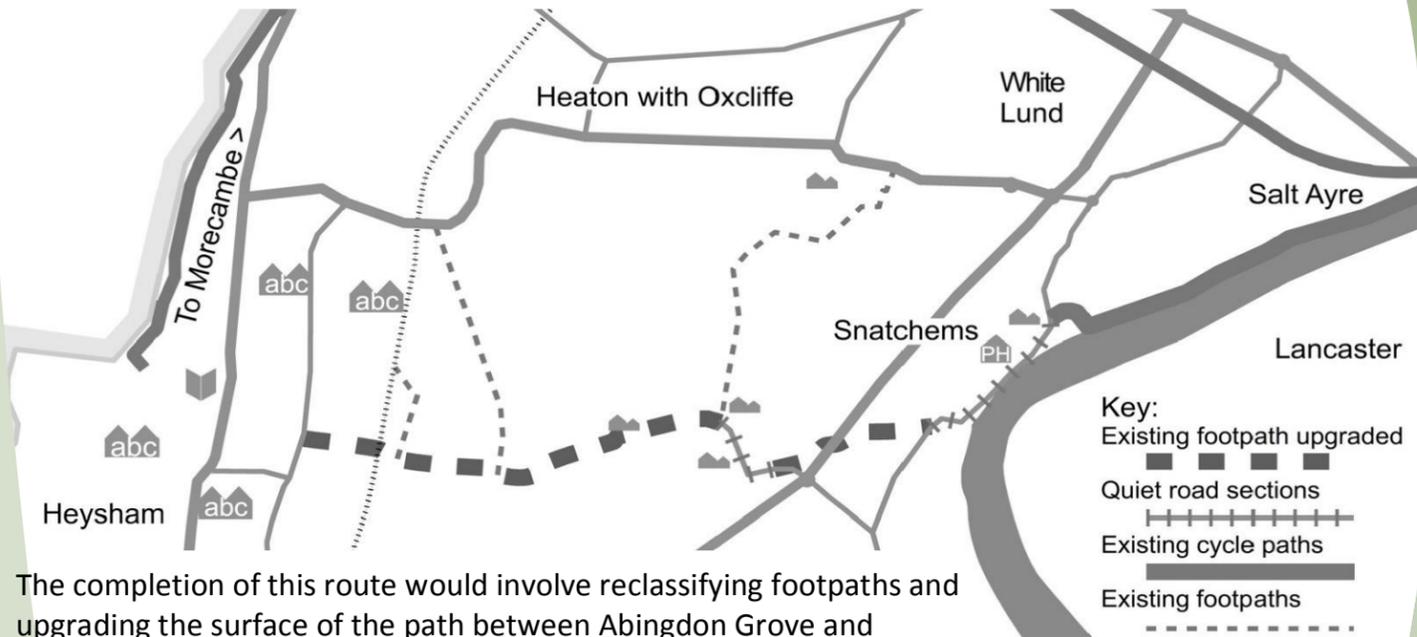
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### The detail...

Much of the necessary infrastructure is already in place for a direct cycle route between Heysham and Lancaster, which includes a bridge over the railway line on Moss Lane.



The completion of this route would involve reclassifying footpaths and upgrading the surface of the path between Abingdon Grove and Moss Road. This improved surface would benefit walkers, runners and cyclists alike.

It would also be beneficial to reclassify and upgrade the short path between Moss Road and Snatchems on Lancaster Road. This would use an underpass to the Bypass.

### Your Support

In order to bring about this vital new route, Dynamo needs your support.

Please consider signing the e-petition (if you haven't already signed the paper petition). The petition runs until 28/06/2014. You can do so at the LCC website via:

<http://Bit.ly/cycleheysham>

You could also support us by joining Dynamo (details below) or else by contacting your local Councillor (email [pbstubb@yahoo.co.uk](mailto:pbstubb@yahoo.co.uk) for help with this) and asking him/her to press the County Council to prioritise this for consideration in their planning schedule.

With the Heysham-M6 link road set to transfer heavy goods vehicle traffic onto the Bypass, the case for putting this traffic free route in place, within the same timescales, is very strong indeed.

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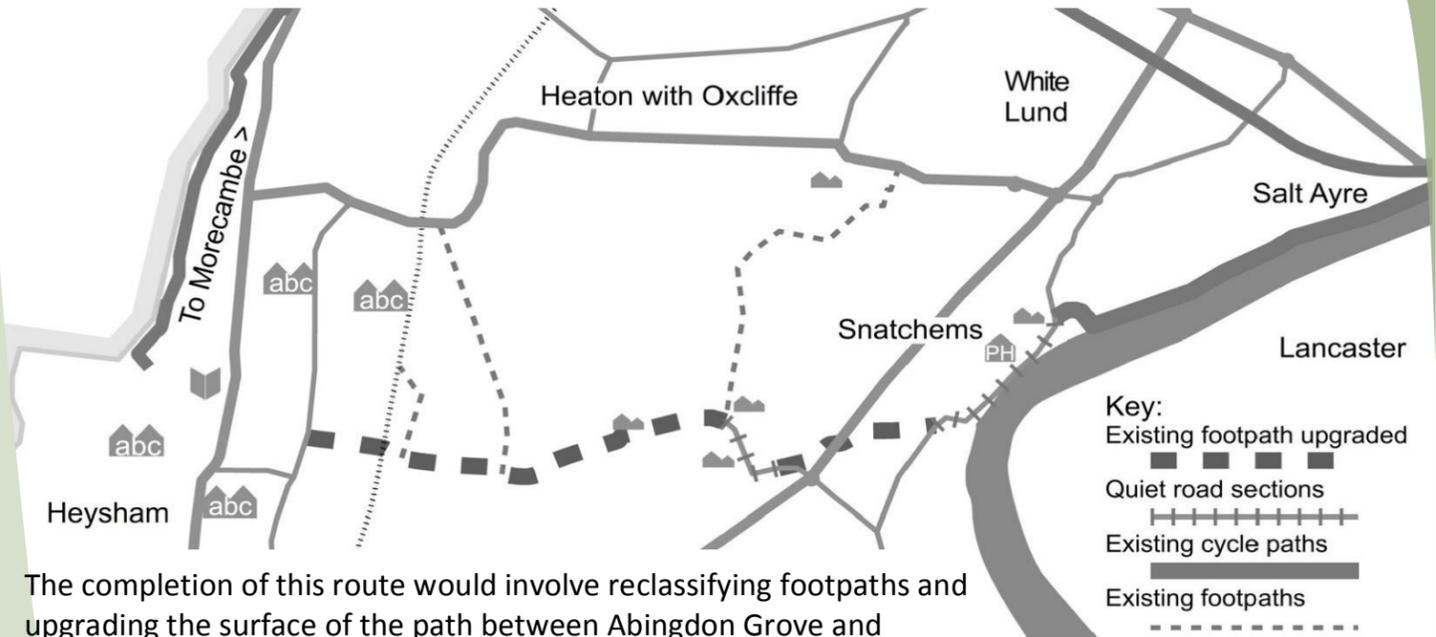
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