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A manifesto for cycling

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A vision for cycling in Wales

A Wales where more everyday journeys are active travel journeys, where our countryside is more accessible, our communities connected, our air cleaner and our health and wellbeing are prioritised

Enabling more cycling is good! Good for our health, our environment and our local economies and communities. Cycling is all about being physically active whilst getting about for whatever reason we choose, whether that is getting to school and work, visiting friends and family, popping to the shops or just getting out in the fresh air.



Local authorities hold the key to creating vibrant, inclusive places that can make this a reality, but to achieve this we need to prioritise people and to ensure that cycling can be for everyone – from a child learning to ride using a balance bike to a busy parent picking up the shopping on an e-bike; from a daily commuter to leisure riders on bikes, trikes, hand cycles and tandems.

Our Manifesto is a call to all candidates to work with us to make this happen!

Our asks for all local authorities in Wales



Build a team! To deliver the active travel networks at the pace that's needed to tackle climate change and address health and wellbeing inequalities. The local authority must build capacity, with sufficient highly qualified staff in all aspects of active travel delivery.



Provide training and guidance to ensure that the Active Travel Act design guidance is understood and applied by everyone involved in developing our villages, towns and cities. Whether building highways, planning new developments, undertaking maintenance work or regeneration projects, active travel routes must be prioritised.



Properly engage with communities to create Active Travel Network maps which connect communities and develop neighbourhoods where walking and cycling are the easiest, quickest, and most attractive ways to get around.



Facilitate provision of **secure cycle parking** in all our towns and cities to help make people feel confident about incorporating cycling in their everyday journeys.



Invest resources to ensure that every school can create an active travel plan and put into place a program of delivery for **school streets** across the authority, as key part of changing the culture at the school gate and beyond.



Prioritise delivery of safe separated cycle routes to schools so that children and parents can incorporate cycling in their everyday activities.



Make sure that **Bikeability cycle training** is offered to all school pupils and others who would benefit from feeling more confident when cycling.



Create **local travel hubs in communities** with information, resources and connections to public transport so that journeys by bike can be part of an integrated sustainable transport system.



Realise the **value of cycling** to people's wellbeing, as well as the rural and tourism economy, by improving access to the outdoors, linking communities, and opening up the countryside.





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Who we are

Cycling UK is a charity that has championed the cause of cycling for 143 years and has 70,000 members, over 2000 in Wales. In Wales we campaign for policies and investment which will enable more people to benefit from riding a bike. We believe that everyone should have the opportunity to ride a bike in order to live a healthy, active and low-carbon lifestyle.

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