

COMMUNITY

Ride with us

MINCE PIE RUN The Cycling UK East Midlands Region annual mince pie run takes place at Belton Village Hall near Loughborough from 10:30am on 21 December. There's also a tombola in aid of Rainbows Children's Hospice. cyclinguk.org/mince-pie-run-2025

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Driving change

Cycling UK was at the Stormont Parliament in Belfast in October to host a transport event titled: 'Freedom for all: what does real transport choice look like?'. Our keynote speaker, Professor Ian Walker of Swansea University, focused on the concept of motornormativity – the unconscious cultural assumption that driving is the default mode of travel. Professor Walker spoke about the systemic change in laws and policies needed to make active travel the obvious choice for shorter journeys. He also challenged the decisions that reduce friction for drivers at the expense of people walking and cycling. cyclinguk.org/stormont



02
Connecting Communities

Staff, funders and project participants gathered in Shawfair in November to celebrate the impact of Cycling UK's new Connecting Communities project in Midlothian. The project team has been engaging with new residents of this expanding housing development, offering e-bike and cargo-bike loans, helping with route planning and providing cycle confidence sessions. cyclinguk.org/connecting-communities

03
Runners for riders

Take on the Brighton Marathon 2026 and run for Cycling UK. Join thousands of runners on Sunday 12 April next year for one of the UK's most iconic seaside races. General entries are sold out but you can still secure your place with a charity spot for us. The entry fee is £30, with a £250 fundraising target. Every step you take helps make cycling safer and more accessible for everyone. If the Brighton Marathon isn't for you, we have more running, cycling and other challenges throughout the year. cyclinguk.org/fundraising-challenges

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Cardiff on the right paths

Cardiff Cycle City has campaigned to improve cycling conditions in the Welsh capital for more than 10 years. Along with a forward-thinking council and sustained, ring-fenced funding from the Welsh Government, this has seen the creation of quality cycling infrastructure. To raise awareness of Cycleway 1, the most complete part of the planned network, Cardiff Cycle City held a celebration ride in September. It demonstrated that well-built cycle infrastructure gives people real choices about how they travel. cyclinguk.org/cardiff-cycleway

