

Harrogate Cycle Action

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A MANIFESTO FOR CYCLING IN THE HARROGATE DISTRICT



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Manifesto for Cycling:

Harrogate District Cycle Action (HDCA) aims to represent the interests of every day cyclists across the Harrogate District. It has agreed the following Aims and Objectives and Actions below

Our Aim

The encouragement of cycling as a healthy, safe and enjoyable activity for all ages and as an alternative mode of transport

Our Objectives

1. Actively engage with the local public to identify cyclists needs and priorities and draw in local knowledge to contribute to design of effective solutions
2. To work with all Agencies for the provision of better facilities for cyclists in the Harrogate District to enable local journeys to school, work, shops to be possible by bike with a benchmark level of safety suitable for a 12 year old child
3. To work with all Agencies to create safe cycling links to the National Cycle Network
4. Work with all organizations (local, regional and national) interested in promoting cycling and the well-being of cyclists.
5. To be the voice of current and potential cyclists to the Local Authorities and other public agencies on cycling related issues in Harrogate District.



How will we do this?

Over the next 2 years we will seek to:-

- A Establish a base of supporters from the local public and businesses who can represent cycling needs and potential solutions from the main residential areas of the District
- B Develop a community led, prioritised list of projects which support Objective 2, consistent with the NYCC CIP document
- C Develop a prioritised list of additional projects supporting links to the wider National Cycle Network (NCN)
- D Ensure that the community-identified priority projects are taken forward by means of working with all public agencies and interested parties
- E Promote good cycling practices and encourage training whenever possible

Actions

- A1. Establish a new HDCA website (Target Q1 2020) which can:
 - Act as a repository for key cycling reference materials of interest to the public regarding case studies, best practice, HDCA constitution and developed priorities
 - Facilitate engagement with the public through membership, mailing lists, blogs to capture area specific needs and ideas
 - Link to other related agencies and cycling bodies
- A2. Establish social media presence via Facebook, Twitter, Instagram to draw members of the public and local businesses into dialog to assist identifying local cycling needs and ideas (Target Q1 2020)
- A3 To raise awareness within the cycling community of our role and seek additional volunteer support to undertake the tasks identified (Ongoing)
- B1. To facilitate sharing of successful initiatives from other towns/cities with Agencies, public and local businesses to develop understanding of possible solutions within Harrogate. (Target Q2 2020)
- B2. To organise consultation with the public (online and face to face) to identify their priorities for cycling in the District. (Target Q3 2020)
- B3. To document the list of community-identified projects required to deliver Objective 2 with prioritisation based on impact and potential speed of delivery. (Target Q4 2020)
- B4 To develop an Engagement Strategy that will take forward those priorities with the relevant Agencies and that they are incorporated within any future Development/Funding Plans for the area.
- C1. To promote the extension of NCN 67 (Harrogate-Spofforth) to link Harrogate to the south. (Ongoing)
- C2. To promote the development of the Nidderdale Greenway extension to Pateley Bridge and beyond. (Ongoing)
- D1. To comment/respond on all cycling related policy/planning issues to ensure the 'case for cycling' is made. (Ongoing)
- D2. To ensure that the Agencies are aware and make use of the social capital/ expertise that is available within the cycling community to assist in taking the cycling agenda forward. (Ongoing)
- D3. To support the Local Sustainable Transport Fund proposals and engage with Councils and Agencies to see them implemented. (Ongoing)
- E1. To promote the British Cycling Code of Conduct as good practice for all cyclists to ensure a positive image for cycling and cyclists in the District. (Ongoing)
- E2. To promote and encourage appropriate cycle training for new cyclists and to ensure an appropriate pathway for anyone interested in taking up cycling from beginner to competitor. (Ongoing)
- E3. To link with existing Council school cycle trainer resources and develop additional capacity to be able to serve the wider needs of cyclists in the District. (Target Q4 2021)

