

**CAMBUSLANG CYCLING PROJECT:
REPORT TO CAMBUSLANG COMMUNITY COUNCIL MEETING – 16 FEBRUARY 2016**

The Cambuslang Cycling Project is being taken forward by a sub-committee comprising John Bachtler (CCC), Richard Cairns, Jane Churchill (HnH), Jim Ewing (HnH), Alison Hay (EKRC), Iain McKenzie, Micky Ross and Scott Smith (CCC).

1. **Clyde Walkway & Cycle Path – Cambuslang Bridge-Dalmarnock Bridge.** Further progress is being made with the new path following the completion of the feasibility study. Specific developments relate to the following sections.
 - **Cambuslang Bridge to Bogleshole Bridge:** Work is due to start shortly on restoring the right of way along this section of the path, with work done by the SLC Unpaid Work (Community Payback) Team. The path will be made accessible for walkers and bikes (although the path will not be paved).
 - **Bogleshole Bridge to M74:** A joint application for £100k to part-fund the development of this section of the path was submitted to the Central Scotland Green Network Trust at the end of January by Healthy n Happy Community Development Trust and Cambuslang Community. An application for a further £100k is being prepared for submission to the Heritage Lottery Fund, together with Cambuslang Heritage Group and SLC; this will include an industrial heritage trail in both physical form (storyboards etc) and online.
 - **M74 to Farne Cross:** Part of the route crosses land owned by Ashfield Land who support the project. They are currently in planning discussions with SLC about developing their site, and it is intended that the project should make provision for a cycle route across the site.

2. **National Cycle Centre (Bogleshole Road) – Site 22.** This is being taken forward by a project group, chaired by John Bachtler, and involving Cllr Richard Tullet, Cllr Graham Simpson, Gerry Campbell and Nick Lansdell (SL Leisure), Ken Meek (SLC Economic Development), Simon Pilpel (SLC Countryside Access), Richard Cairns, Scott Smith (CCC Cycling Group), Jane Churchill and Jim Ewing (HnH - CamGlen Bike Town) and Alison Hay, Paul Noble and Gregor Yeoman (East Kilbride Road Club).

Over the past two months, work has concentrated on setting up a legal vehicle to take forward the project. Following advice from Community Enterprise and Burness, it has been decided to set up a Scottish Charitable Incorporated Organisation (SCIO) with the name 'Scottish Cycling Centre Cambuslang'. The trustees would be CCC, HnH, SLC, and South Lanarkshire Leisure & Culture as well as elected trustees from a membership of cycle clubs and other relevant bodies. A constitution and application have been drafted together with background information for submission to OSCR. Approval is currently being sought from the participating organisations who would be trustees.

Other work continues to be underway to

- develop options for further funding (Scott Smith);
- developing a business plan (sub-group chaired by Paul Noble);
- formalising a lease agreement with Scottish Enterprise (John Bachtler, Ken Meek).

John Bachtler, 14.2.16