



To: Cycling Development Pendle Partnership

12<sup>th</sup> April 2013

Clitheroe Bike Club was founded in 2008 to fulfil a need for a bike club in the Clitheroe area. We have grown to a size of over 150 members, with a significant increase in numbers during 2012's exceptional year for cycling.

We have a broad spectrum of riders in terms of ages and abilities, but would love to increase the numbers of junior riders. Although we have 3 qualified coaches we are unable to put their skills to the best use because of the lack of a suitable traffic free environment in which to hold coaching sessions locally.

We have a number of riders travelling to Preston Arena, Salt Ayre in Lancaster and Manchester Velodrome to race and train but would consider the proposed venue at Pendle a great asset due to its proximity and ease of access to Clitheroe and surrounding villages.

We would love to use the proposed venue to hold our own coaching sessions for both adults and children on a weekly basis. We would also support as many races as we could with our riders, marshals and coaches.

Having seen the growth of cycling occurring nationally and especially locally occur over the last few years I believe the time is right and the demand is there for a facility in Pendle. As a club we wholeheartedly support this venture and look forward to be able to make the most of it in future years.

Yours

Richard Paige    Chairman Clitheroe Bike Club