



Nelson Wheelers Cycling Club

Founded 1914

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Re - Sport England, Inspired Facilities funding bid for the Steven Burke Sports hub

To whom it may concern

This letter is written in support of the above funding bid for a dedicated cycling facility in the Pendle area.

The Nelson Wheelers Cycling club has a long history of involvement in cycling and cycle sport in this area. Having been formed in 1914 the club has a background in leisure cycling and is also involved at local and national level with time trialling.

The Nelson Wheelers promotes a number of events annually, one of which has become a prestigious event in the time trialling world. In addition to this the club provides a strong social scene for its members to incorporate their leisure and more serious riding with family and friends who have a more sedentary interest.

More recent years has seen a diversification of the catchment area for the club which has its roots in the Nelson area. A facility such as the Steven Burke Sports Hub proposed at Swinden Playing field would, we feel, bring a coherence and focus to cycling in the area allowing established and new cyclists to come together for a number of events. This will provide an ideal opportunity for cross pollination of ideas for new and old. This in turn will enhance existing and provide opportunity for new talent in the area.

The Nelson Wheelers fully supports this venture and wish to be kept informed of its development. This initiative will undoubtedly help to define the future for the area as a cycling hot spot

Yours sincerely

Steve Wilkinson
Chairman

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