



## **Strategic Cycling Partnership Agreement – Memorandum of Understanding**

### **SUMMARY**

- 1.1 In January 2016 the City Council hosted the launch of the Derbyshire Cycling Plan at Derby Arena. The plan aims to make Derbyshire the most connected and integrated county for cycling by 2030. To deliver the outcomes of the plan a more defined partnership agreement has been developed and approval is sought from all partners to take this forward.

### **RECOMMENDATION**

- 2.1 To approve a memorandum of understanding relating to the long term collaboration of strategic cycling partners in Derbyshire.

### **REASONS FOR RECOMMENDATION**

- 3.1 To recognise the key role of the City Council in leading, supporting and delivering the Derbyshire Cycling Plan.

### **SUPPORTING INFORMATION**

- 4.1 The Derbyshire Cycle Plan recognises the benefit cycling plays in a number of key areas including physical activity, health, air quality, reducing congestion, tourism and economic growth. It sets out a high level vision of making Derbyshire the most connected and integrated county for cycling by 2030.
- 4.2 The plan has four strategic aims:
- Increased Connectivity – high quality cycle routes in all environments, supporting all forms of cycling, creating and supporting economic growth.
  - Increased Participation – behavioural change approaches and targeted participation programmes at a community level to support and enable people to cycle, closing the gaps in participation and reducing health inequalities.
  - Effective Communication and Marketing – excellent, well connected marketing and communications for Derbyshire residents and visitors, helping to change behaviour, increase confidence and get more people cycling regularly.

- Advocacy – cross sector advocacy for policy change and implementation at the highest levels.

- 4.3 The City Council plays a key role in supporting cycling. As a unitary authority the Council has well aligned planning and transport policies, has regionally recognised cycling sports facilities at Derby Arena and Alvaston BMX track and provides training, coaching and promotion through Cycle Derby and Derby Arena.
- 4.4 The plan is supported by a number of partners who make up the Derbyshire Strategic Cycling Plan Group. This includes all Derbyshire Councils, key cycling organisations including Sustrans, British Cycling and Derbyshire Sport and other relevant bodies such as Marketing Peak District and the National Forest Company.
- 4.5 The group have developed a more detailed set of priorities, objectives and responsibilities to underpin long term collaboration between partners on cycling matters. This Memorandum of Understanding is included in Appendix 2 and formal approval is sought to demonstrate the Councils commitment to the Derbyshire Cycling Plan and future engagement in meeting the aspirations set in the plan.
- 4.6 Derby’s support for the Derbyshire Cycle plan complements the other cycle initiatives being delivered by the Council both on our own and with other key partners including Nottingham City Council as part of the emerging Metro Strategy.

<b>OTHER OPTIONS CONSIDERED</b>
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5.1 None

**This report has been approved by the following officers:**

<b>Legal officer</b> <b>Financial officer</b> <b>Human Resources officer</b> <b>Estates/Property officer</b> <b>Service Director(s)</b>  <b>Other(s)</b>	David Gartside, Acting Director Strategic Partnerships, Planning and Transportation
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<b>IMPLICATIONS</b>
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**Financial and Value for Money**

- 1.1 There is no direct financial commitment associated with the Memorandum but existing and future programmes and policies will be aligned to support the strategic objectives.

**Legal**

- 2.1 The Memorandum is not legally binding

**Personnel**

- 3.1 A lead officer will be nominated as primary contact

**IT**

- 4.1 None directly arising from the report.

**Equalities Impact**

- 5.1 None directly arising from the report.

**Health and Safety**

- 6.1 None directly arising from the report.

**Environmental Sustainability**

- 7.1 Increased modal share of cycling will support physical activity and improved air quality.

**Property and Asset Management**

- 8.1 None directly arising from the report

**Risk Management and Safeguarding**

- 9.1 None directly arising from the report

**Corporate objectives and priorities for change**

- 10.1 The proposal supports the Councils priority for promoting health and well being.