

Cardiff Cycle City - Justice for Cyclists Campaign

Response from:

Candidate **Craig Williams**

Party **Welsh Conservatives**

Constituency **Cardiff North**

Dear Cardiff Cycle City,

Thank you for taking the time to write to me on this very important issue.

As you point out, most of the responsibility for cycling lies within the remit of the National Assembly and Cardiff Council and I will continue to work closely with both bodies if successful in the general election on 8th June.

As a Party, Welsh Conservatives have long-called for the introduction of a public campaign to promote safer cycling and encourage cycling to work.

Active travel measures are essential in meeting public health, sustainability and environmental targets.

We also believe the consideration of cycle paths in plans for road infrastructure and large residential developments should be of utmost importance. With Labour's LDP in Cardiff progressing this is of paramount importance for the future of our city.

In the past cycling has been seen as a niche activity, rather than a normal activity for all. If we can increase levels of walking and cycling, the benefits are substantial.

For people, it means cheaper travel and better health. For businesses, it means increased productivity and increased footfall in shops. And for society as a whole it means lower congestion, better air quality, and vibrant, attractive places and communities.

We are therefore pleased to see cycling in Wales and Cardiff is ever-increasing in its popularity, and it is vital that we do what we can to ensure that people can cycle safely.

If re-elected, I will work with all relevant stakeholders including the Welsh Government, UK Government, South Wales Police and Cardiff Council to ensure cyclists can go about their daily business safely across our great capital city.

Yours,

Craig

Craig Williams
Prospective Conservative MP for Cardiff North