

# Cheshire West & Chester Council

## Media Release



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### **Cycle Sunday Funday**

Cheshire West and Chester Council is organising a cycling fun day on Sunday March 27 to celebrate cycling in the city and the achievements of the Cycle Chester project which comes to an end in April.

The Cycle Sunday event takes place from 11am to 4pm at the New Scene Centre playing fields in Newton, Chester. There will be lots of free activities taking place on the day including circus entertainment, vintage bike displays, the M.A.D Mountain bike display team and cycle try-outs.

Throughout the day, stalls will be offering advice on cycling in the area, including local cycling groups, cycle shops, cycling maintenance information and police bike marking.

Free family bike rides are planned during the day, with four starting times to choose from. Families can participate in either a four mile ride or an eight mile ride through the Chester countryside. Both rides will be led by a cycle leader.

To register for the Cycle Sunday Family Bike Ride please visit

[www.pennineevents.co.uk/CFBR](http://www.pennineevents.co.uk/CFBR)

The first 300 participants registering to take part in the ride will receive a free goodie bag and certificate on completion of the ride.

Said Councillor Lynn Riley, Community and Environment Executive Member: "The Cycle Chester project was established to encourage more residents to cycle in the area and I'm delighted with its many successes.

"During the project more than 2,000 children have passed Bikeability levels 1 and 2 and over 50 adults have taken level 3 Bikeability training. More than 163 cycle racks have been installed throughout the area plus 32 cycle lockers providing parking for 582 bikes.

“New cycle routes have been developed, accompanied by a set of very popular cycle maps plus improved signage for cyclists in the city with over 800 cycle signs being installed.

“Infrastructure improvements include the extensions of the Greenway to Mickle Trafford, ramp access at the Deva Link and the upgrade of over 2,000 meters of footway to shared use pathway.“

Added Hoole and Newton Councillor, John Ebo: “I hope both cyclists and none cyclists will come along to this event, because it’s fun, healthy and good for the environment. “

Any organisations or businesses interested in taking a stall at the event should contact Bethan Vaughan, Cycle Chester Programme Manager on 01244 973948.

For more information visit [www.cyclechester.com](http://www.cyclechester.com) or call 01244 973948.