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Local Lockers

New bike lockers have been installed by Cycle Chester at the Wrexham Road Park and Ride site and on Princess Street in Chester City Centre. The installation of the new lockers provides a safe and secure place for cyclists to leave their bikes when commuting in to the city centre.

Cyclists commuting in to work can park their car at the Wrexham Road Park and Ride site for free and cycle the 15 minutes along cycle paths and low traffic routes in to the city centre to their place of work. Ideal for avoiding the traffic congestion heading into the city centre, this route also provides a great way to get your 30 minutes of exercise each day that the UK government recommends adults should aim to do at least five or more days a week.

The new lockers, which can be rented by cyclists for £15 per quarter or £45 per annum, are part of Cycle Chester's ongoing improvement to cycling infrastructure in Chester. The installation of these lockers are in addition to the community cycle parking scheme that Cycle Chester have already launched, providing local organisations with the chance to have 4 cycle stands free of charge.

Six new lockers have also been installed at the Market Car Park off Princess Street which can be rented for the same amount. If cyclists would like to rent a locker at both sites the cost will be £20 per quarter or £60 per annum.

Councillor Lynn Riley, Community and Environment Portfolio Holder for Cheshire West and Chester Council said; "Installing cycle lockers in key locations around the Chester area is part of Cycle Chester's ongoing improvement to the cycling infrastructure in the city. We hope that this will make cyclists far happier about the security of their cycles when left at these sites and encourage more people to commute by cycle in to Chester on

a regular basis.”

For more information contact Cycle Chester on 01244 973948 or apply online at www.cyclechester.com.

Notes for editor: Chester is one of eighteen official Cycling Towns, securing a £2.4 million bid over the three year period; the initiative aims to improve Chester’s cycling infrastructure and cycling opportunities, making cycling a genuine option for all Chester residents. The project gives Chester a share of the largest investment in cycling the country has ever seen, almost £100 million pounds. The money will transform these nominated towns into areas where cycling becomes a genuine option, improving the local environment, city centre congestion and fitness of 2.5 million people.

More information can be found at www.cyclechester.com