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## **A CYCLING MANIFESTO FOR Portsmouth**

We are writing to all candidates standing for election in Portsmouth to seek your support for better cycling provision in Portsmouth.

We already work closely with Portsmouth City Council and ask that you indicate your support for our aim to 'Create a cycle-friendly city with an embedded cycling culture'.

We believe that the following would help bring this about:

- **Creation of a Strategic Cycle Network**
  - key corridors into the city centre
  - comprehensive signage of cycle routes
- **Improved safety measures for cyclists in Portsmouth and Southsea**
  - Expanded use of cycling 'contra flow' systems
  - Permitting cycling in Palmerston Road and Commercial Road precincts outside business hours.
  - Expanding the safe routes to schools
- **Creation of liveable neighbourhoods**
  - making local streets safe for walking and cycling
- **Integration of bikes with public transport**
  - promotion of 'cycle & ride' schemes
  - secure cycle parking at Rail and Bus stations
- **Encourage cycling throughout Portsmouth**
  - promote new activities ie cycling film festival, guided rides and events

We hope that you can respond with a brief message of support for our 'Portsmouth Cycling Manifesto' before April 30<sup>th</sup>, so that we can publish and promote the list of candidates supporting our aims. Good luck with your local election campaigns.

Yours sincerely

Portsmouth Cycle Forum