

Cross-Party Group Annual Report 2025

Cross Party Group on the Active Travel Act

1. Group membership and office holders.

Chair: John Griffiths MS

Other MS Members:

Rhun ap Iorwerth MS

Jane Dodds MS

Janet Finch-Saunders MS

Vikki Howells MS

Sarah Murphy MS

Jenny Rathbone MS

Carolyn Thomas MS

Lee Waters MS

Secretary: Chris Roberts (MSS)

Other External Members:

Name	Role
Ken Barker	Cycling UK
Ruth Billingham	Head of Campaigns & Public Affairs Living Streets
Julie Blaisdale	Chair Active Travel West Wales Section Leader (Transport Vision, Policy and Strategy) Cardiff Council
Gail Bodley Scott	NHS Principal Public Health Practitioner Public Health Wales
John Bradley	Policy and Advocacy Manager Ramblers Cymru
Rebecca Brough	Cycling UK North Wales
Richard Brunstrom	Partner Engagement (Wales) Family Fund
Davina Carey-Evans	Head of Devolved Nations British Lung Foundation
Joseph Carter	Secretary Cycling Newport
Dan Coast	Policy and External Affairs Manager Sustrans Cymru
Stephen Cunnah	Head of Business Development Newport Live
Richard Dale	Secretary Wrexham Cycling Campaign
Warren Davies	Cabinet Member for Strategic Planning & Transport Cardiff Council
Dan De'Ath	Head of Advocacy and Campaigns Cycling UK
Duncan Dollimore	Access Field Officer, Wales British Horse Society
Helen Donnan	Casnewydd Community Cycling
David Edwards	

Donna Edwards-John	Active Travel Officer Torfaen County Borough Council Cabinet Member for Environment Carmarthenshire County Council
Hazel Evans	
Richard Evans	Chair Cardiff Cycle Workshop
Sam Farnfield	Director Pedal Power Vale of Glamorgan Strategic Wellbeing Team Vale of Glamorgan Council
Christine Farr	
Matthew Gilbert	Active Travel Lead Transport for Wales
Nathan Goldup-John	Councillor Neath Port Talbot Council
Andrew Gregory	Director of Planning Transport and Environment Cardiff Council
Owain Griffiths	Cardiff Cycle City
Peter Griffiths	Carmarthenshire Cycle Forum Transport - Policy, Planning and Partnerships Officer Welsh Government
Natalie Grohmann	
Nick Guy	Wheelrights
Max Hampton	Design Advisor Design Commission for Wales
Aaron Hill	Director CPT Cymru
Gemma Hobson	Public Health Wales
Alastair Hopkins	Service Manager (Transport) Newport City Council
Francesca Howorth	Higher Research Officer Senedd Cymru
Mared Hughes	Project Officer Innovate Trust
Stephen Hughes	Graduate Transport Planner Mott MacDonald
Heulwen Hulme	Portfolio Holder for Environment Powys County Council Head of Policy and Campaigns (Wales) Royal College of Physicians
Lowri Jackson	
Kirsty James	Campaign Officer RNIB (Cymru)
Lynda James	Councillor City & County of Swansea
Aled Jones	National Cycling Lead Welsh Cycling Head of Planning, Public Protection and Countryside Services Denbighshire County Council
Emlyn Jones	
Keith Jones	Director ICE Wales Cymru
Lyndon Jones	Leader of the Conservative Group City & County of Swansea
Phil Jones	Chairman PJA
Ryland Jones	Head of Connected Communities Sustrans Cymru
Mike Jones-Pritchard	Principal @rchitecture
Richard Keatinge	Secretary Beicio Bangor
Ruben Kelman	Youth Parliament Representative Welsh Youth Parliament
Kate Kerr	Road Safety Officer Torfaen County Borough Council
Rhiannon Letman	Member Active Travel Board
Phil Lewis	Chair Active Wheels Principal Public Health Practitioner Public Health Wales (Gwent)
Richard Lewis	
Dylan Llewelyn Jones	Group Engineer, Strategic & Sustainable Transport Isle of Anglesey County Council
Hugh Mackay	Cycling UK VofG
John Mather	Cycling UK (N Wales)
Hilary May	ValeVeloWays
Andrew Minnis	Research Team Leader Senedd Cymru

David Naylor	Wheelrights
Samuel Newington	Engagement Officer Momentwm Newport Team Leader Highways, Traffic & Enforcement Torfaen County Borough Council
Gavin Newman	Bus Coordinator Newport City Council
Simon Nicholls	Councillor City & County of Swansea
Francesca O'Brien	Engagement Officer - Wales Cycling UK
Gwenda Owen	Active Travel – Programme Manager Newport Live
Gethin Pearson	Head of Service Highways Waste and Property Ynys Mon Council
Huw Percy	Head of Highways, Transport & Recycling Powys County Council
Matt Perry	Consultant in Public Health Public Health Wales
Paul Pilkington	Active Travel Projects Officer Newport City Council
Louis Preece	Clerk Senedd Cymru
Gareth Price	Team Leader, Transport Vision, Policy and Strategy Cardiff Council
Matt Price	Reader, School of Healthcare Sciences Cardiff University
Catherine Purcell	Chair, Environment, Regeneration and Streetscene Services Scrutiny Committee Neath Port Talbot Council
Sean Pursey	Secretary Wheelrights
Dareyoush Rassi	Active Travel - Programme Manager Newport Live
Ellis Redman	Transport Action Network Cymru
Paula Renzel	Secretary CPGATA
Chris Roberts	Policy & Public Affairs Manager British Heart Foundation
Gemma Roberts	Senior Policy Officer (Transport) WLGA
Kaarina Ruta	
Emma Sandrey	
John Sayce	Chair Wheelrights
Phil Snaith	Secretary Carmarthenshire Cycle Forum
Caroline Spanton	Chief Executive Officer Welsh Cycling
Roy Spilsbury	Cycling UK North Wales Access Development and Public Rights of Way Officer Newport Council
Luke Stacey	Secretary Cardiff Cycle City
Paul Streets	Youth, Sport and Active Travel Manager MonLife, Monmouthshire County Council
Paul Sullivan	Professor of Social Marketing UWE
Alan Tapp	Active Travel Manager Newport City Council
Greg Tasker	Portfolio Holder - Highways, Waste and Property Isle of Anglesey County Council
Dafydd Rhys Thomas	Policy Support Assistant Sustrans Cymru
Joe Thomas	Cabinet Member for Environment Enhancement & Infrastructure Management City & County of Swansea
Mark Thomas	Health and Safety SLA Manager Cardiff Council
Stuart Thomas	Councillor City & County of Swansea
Will Thomas	Chair Abergavenny Cycle Group
Jack Thurston	Active Travel Officer MonLife, Monmouthshire County Council
Nick Tulp	Director Drosi Bikes
Beth Ward	Active Travel West Wales
Tom Wells	

Jonathan West	Head of Behavioural Science Public Health Wales
Mark Weston	Director of Access British Horse Society Lecturer in Health, Mental Health and Well-Being Wrexham University
Christopher White	University
Caro Wild	Councillor Cardiff Council
Cheryl Williams	Principal Health Promotion Specialist Public Health Wales
Liz Williams	Policy and Public Affairs Manager RNIB (Cymru) National Programme Manager, Active Travel Fund Sustrans Cymru
Patrick Williams	Momentwm - Swyddog Ymgysylltu / Programme manager
Steven Williams	Momentwm Newport
Roisin Willmott	One Planet Programme Manager Cardiff Council
Peter Wong	Councillor Cardiff Council
Alex Wood	Senior Health Promotion Specialist Public Health Wales
Leah Young	Active Travel Projects Officer Newport City Council

2. Previous Group Meetings since the last AGM.

Meeting 1.

Meeting date: December 11th, 2024. Teams Meeting.

Attendees:

First Name	Surname	Job Title	Organisation
Ken	Barker		Cycling UK
Ioan	Bellin	SCA	Rhys Ab Owen AS
Andrew	Bettridge	MSS	John Griffiths MS
Ruth	Billingham	Head of Campaigns & Public Affairs	Living Streets
Richard	Brunstrom		Cycling UK North Wales
Joseph	Carter	Head of Devolved Nations	British Lung Foundation
Dan	Coast	Secretary	Cycling Newport
Stephen	Cunnah	Policy and External Affairs Manager	Sustrans Cymru
Helen	Donnan	Access Field Officer, Wales	British Horse Society
Ryland	Doyle	Communications and Research Officer	Mike Hedges MS
Donna	Edwards-John	Active Travel Officer	Torfaen County Borough Council
Richard	Evans	Chair	Cardiff Cycle Workshop
Sam	Farnfield	Director	Pedal Power
Matthew	Gilbert	Active Travel Lead	Transport for Wales
John	Griffiths	Member of the Senedd	Senedd Cymru
Natalie	Grohmann	Transport - Policy, Planning and Partnerships Officer	Welsh Government
Sam	Hall	Pennaeth Cysylltiadau ac Ymgysylltu Cyhoeddus Head of Public R	Natasha Asghar MS
Amy	Henley	Transport Strategy & Policy	Welsh Government

Francesca	Howorth	Higher Research Officer	Senedd Cymru
Keith	Jones	Director	ICE Wales Cymru
Olivia	Jones	OFM	Welsh Government
Phil	Jones	Chairman	PJA
Hayley	Keohane	Active Travel	Welsh Government
Kate	Kerr	Road Safety Officer	Torfaen County Borough Council
Gwyn	Lewis	Senior Policy Implementation and Evidence Lead	Welsh Government
Phil	Lewis	Chair	Active Wheels
Hugh	Mackay		Cycling UK VofG
Kiera	Marshall	Researcher	Grŵp Senedd Plaid Cymru Senedd Group
John	Mather		Cycling UK (N Wales)
Hilary	May		ValeVeloWays
Andrew	Minnis	Research Team Leader	Senedd Cymru
David	Naylor		Wheelrights
Samuel	Newington	Engagement Officer	Momentwm Newport
Simon	Nicholls	Bus Coordinator	Newport City Council
Gwenda	Owen	Engagement Officer - Wales	Cycling UK
Peredur	Owen Griffiths	Member of the Senedd	Senedd Cymru
Louis	Preece	Active Travel Projects Officer	Newport City Council
Catherine	Purcell	Reader, School of Healthcare Sciences	Cardiff University
Dareyoush	Rassi	Secretary	Wheelrights
Chris	Roberts	Secretary	CPGATA
Kaarina	Ruta	Transport Assistant	WLGA
Phil	Snaith	Secretary	Carmarthenshire Cycle Forum
Paul	Sullivan	Youth, Sport and Active Travel Manager	MonLife, Monmouthshire County Council
Alan	Tapp	Professor of Social Marketing	UWE
Dafydd Rhys	Thomas	Portfolio Holder - Highways, Waste and Property	Isle of Anglesey County Council
Lee	Waters	Member of the Senedd	Senedd Cymru
Tom	Wells		Active Travel West Wales
Richard	Weston	Independent Researcher	
Steven	Williams	Momentwm - Swyddog Ymgysylltu / Programme manager	Momentwm Newport
Roisin	Willmott	One Planet Programme Manager	Cardiff Council

Summary of issues discussed:

The main business of the meeting was a Q&A session with Ken Skates MS, Cabinet Secretary for Transport and North Wales. The meeting also saw the launch of the Group's report 'Bikes and Buses – a perfect partnership' authored by Dr Richard

Weston and produced in association with the THINK project of Aberystwyth University.

Meeting 2.

Meeting date: June 17th 2025 Hybrid Meeting.

Attendees:

First Name	Surname	Job Title	Organisation
Ioan	Bellin	SCA	Delyth Jewell AS
Ruth	Billingham	Head of Campaigns & Public Affairs	Living Streets
John	Bradley	NHS Principal Public Health Practitioner	Public Health Wales
Rebecca	Brough	Policy and Advocacy Manager	Ramblers Cymru
Joseph	Carter	Head of Devolved Nations	British Lung Foundation
Stephen	Cunnah	Policy and External Affairs Manager	Sustrans Cymru
Dan	De'Ath	Cabinet Member for Strategic Planning & Transport	Cardiff Council
Helen	Donnan	Access Field Officer, Wales	British Horse Society
Sam	Farnfield	Director	Pedal Power
Ben	George	Head of Regional Transport	Transport for Wales
Matthew	Gilbert	Active Travel Lead	Transport for Wales
John	Griffiths	Member of the Senedd	Senedd Cymru
Natalie	Grohmann	Transport - Policy, Planning and Partnerships Officer	Welsh Government
Anthony	Hunt	Leader	Torfaen County Borough Council
Kirsty	James	Campaign Officer	RNIB (Cymru)
Keith	Jones	Director	ICE Wales Cymru
Mike	Jones-Pritchard	Principal	@rchitecture
Phil	Lewis	Chair	Active Wheels
Hugh	Mackay		Cycling UK VofG
John	Mather		Cycling UK (N Wales)
Hilary	May		ValeVeloWays
Andrew	Minnis	Research Team Leader	Senedd Cymru
Gavin	Newman	Team Leader Highways, Traffic & Enforcement	Torfaen County Borough Council
Simon	Nicholls	Bus Coordinator	Newport City Council
Gwenda	Owen	Engagement Officer - Wales	Cycling UK
Louis	Preece	Active Travel Projects Officer	Newport City Council
Gareth	Price	Clerk	Senedd Cymru
Chris	Roberts	Secretary	CPGATA
Kaarina	Ruta	Transport Assistant	WLGA
John	Sayce	Chair	Wheelrights
Phil	Snaith	Secretary	Carmarthenshire Cycle Forum

Paul	Streets	Secretary	Cardiff Cycle City
Alan	Tapp	Professor of Social Marketing	UWE
Greg	Tasker	Active Travel Manager	Newport City Council
Tom	Wells		Active Travel West Wales
Mark	Weston	Director of Access	British Horse Society
Patrick	Williams	National Programme Manager, Active Travel Fund	Sustrans Cymru
Peter	Wong	Councillor	Cardiff Council

Summary of issues discussed:

Annual Meeting: the meeting elected John Griffiths MS as Chair and re-elected Chris Roberts as Secretary. The main business of the ordinary meeting was a panel discussion on the devolution of active travel funding to the Corporate Joint Committees.

3. Professional lobbyists, voluntary organisations and charities with whom the Group has met during the preceding year.

The Group has not met with any professional lobbyists during the year.

The Group meetings are attended by representatives of several organisations and charities. The details of attendees for each meeting are listed above. The Chair and Secretary of the Group met with an officer and clients of Innovate Trust (433 Cowbridge Road East, Cardiff, CF5 1JH) to discuss their project to improve access to transport for people with learning difficulties. The meeting took place in Ty Hywel on April 29th. The following organisations were invited to speak to the Group:

Transport for Wales

Llys Cadwyn, Pontypridd, CF37 4TH

Welsh Local Government Association

4th Floor, One Canal Parade, Dumballs Rd, Cardiff CF10 5BF

Annual Financial Statement

7th July 2025

Cross-Party Group on the Active Travel Act.

Chair: John Griffiths MS

Secretary: Chris Roberts

Group's Expenses.	None.	£0.00
Costs of all goods.	None	£0.00
Benefits received by the group or individual Members from outside bodies.	The Group collaborated with the THINK project at Aberystwyth University in the production of the report 'Bikes and Buses – a perfect partnership' authored by Dr Richard Weston. Dr Weston was paid £2000 for his work by THINK. All payments were made directly by THINK and no funds were handled by the CPGATA.	£2000.00
Any secretariat or other support.	No financial support received.	£0.00
Services provided to the Group such as hospitality.		
All refreshments paid for by: No refreshments provided		
Date	Description and name of provider	Cost
	None	£0.00
Total cost		£0.00