

Fabian Way Innovation Corridor – Letter of support

To whom it may concern:

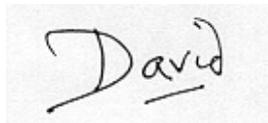
I am writing this on behalf of *Cycling UK* whom I represent in Swansea.

This letter relates to the proposal to improve cycling access to the Bay Campus. It is based principally on three bullet points in Maria Maddock's 8 July email on behalf of Stuart Davies, Head of Highways and Transportation, Swansea Council. (Addressed to John Sayce, Chair of *Wheelrights*, cc'd to me.) These are as follows:

- A Cycle Superhighway, linking the National Cycle Network (NCN) Route 4 with the Swansea University, Bay Campus and via a link to Langdon Road, SA1 with the Swansea University, Bay Campus.
- An Active Travel route from Swansea University Bay Campus, east and then north to join Fabian Way and provide the opportunity to join with the southern access route proposed for Coed Darcy.
- An Active Travel route from NCN 4, south of Fabian Way, through the existing bridge under it to join the existing Active Travel route, east, along the Tennant Canal.

The cycle superhighway identified in the first bullet point appears to be essentially the route SB shown on <https://www.wheelrights.org.uk/SwanseaCRse.pdf> (This map is one of four on the Infrastructure page of Wheelrights website showing suggested Active Travel routes.), ie south of Fabian Way and avoiding Baldwins Bridge. This is strongly supported as it will complement the existing route which is not suited for heavy cycle traffic. This should increase if there is a take up by students and staff commuting between the two campus. Also certain aspects of the existing route are unsatisfactory, in particular a dangerous crossing under Baldwin's Bridge.

The other two bullet points refer to a potential route or routes east from the Bay Campus, but it is not clear just where they would go. They appear to include a route similar to BB on the aforementioned map and which was suggested by Wheelrights in 2009. It is described in the brief report: <https://www.wheelrights.org.uk/FabWayLink.pdf>. (This is the 'proposal' under the sub-heading "Southern route" under the heading "Fabian Way Corridor" on the Infrastructure Archives page which is accessed from the bottom of the Infrastructure page.) This report was written long before the Bay Campus was constructed and assumed the route would rejoin NCR 4 by the controlled crossing of Fabian Way east of the Campus. Route BB extends it to go all the way south of Fabian Way, joining NCR 4 at its east end where it emerges on the south side of the underpass by the slip road to the M4 J42. It would provide a key link to the Bay Campus from the east and is therefore supported by Cycling UK.



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