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Dear Sir

Active Travel - Consultation

The North Wales Association represents 34 Town and Larger Community Councils from Welshpool and Newtown in the south to Flint, Bangor, Llandudno and Rhy in the north.

The Membership were informed of the consultation and this letter was posted on our web site as well as being discussed at a meeting of the Association.

The Association wishes to put forward the following:

The Association supports the general principles of the proposals to seek to provide cycle and walking routes to encourage people to use them and do so safely.

The Association is not convinced that the proposals will actually work as there are several factors which are a challenge, they are:

- a) Finance – where is this going to come from?
- b) If delivered at County level it will take an age to complete.
Local Councils should be used wherever possible.
- c) The rural areas require radical thinking to stand any chance of providing such routes.

The Association suggests that perhaps two or three Town Councils, who have the ability to perform, are selected to complete a plan and receive funding from the Welsh Assembly direct to complete the approved schemes. This could be done on a Pilot basis and if it works well to roll this out as a preferred way forward.

If there is to be any real progress made the duty to complete such schemes need to be put in a timeframe.

This response to the consultation are meant to be helpful and not negative.

The Association is willing to aid anything which would achieve the objectives of the proposals being considered.

I confirm that the Association is prepared to give oral evidence if it were felt that would be of an advantage.

Thank you for the opportunity the take part in this consultation.

Yours faithfully



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Secretary