

Pollokshields Community Council

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Pollokshields Community Council in cooperation with other community and cycling organisations and Glasgow City Council is organising a **Cycling Celebration Day on 24th October** as shown on the attached flyer.

Special guests will be Nicola Sturgeon MSP and Allison Thewlis MP each of whom will cycle in on mass-led rides from Pollokshields and the Squiggly Bridge.

Bill Fraser, Chair said:

'South-West City Way provides the first safe cycling route between Pollokshields and the city centre enabling residents of all ages to reach a number of destinations. For commuters to and from Southside areas like Shawlands and further it provides an alternative to existing busy roads like Pollokshaws Rd and Eglinton St.

'The Community Council will work further with schools and local cycling groups to promote cycling facilities through Cycling Scotland's [Cycle Friendly Community Award](#) scheme'

Notes for Editors

Requests for photo ops with distinguished guests to 07775 832461.

Pollokshields Community Council is a statutory voluntary organisation which represents community views to elected and statutory bodies. As part of its dynamic approach to community-run neighbourhood services, PCC organises community events like this.

PCC has also received funding from Glasgow City Council and others to lease a stalled space on Albert Drive over 12-18 months for the 'Pollokshields Playhouse'.

This project will provide a unique opportunity for testing new possibilities for the community of Pollokshields, creating a locus for the local community with the support of a range of creative practitioners to provide the means and the expertise through the offering of tools, material to create an opportunity for local people and groups to test out their own ideas about civic amenities, a visible and accessible research hub that offers creative participation as a means of exploring place. The first phase is timed to run in parallel with the internationally recognised Turner Prize & Exhibition 2015 at the Tramway opposite the Common Ground site.

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