**Cycling UK Lincolnshire Chair’s Report 2022**

In spite of the steady easing of restrictions, Covid-19 has had a significant impact on our activities over the past year. Never the less there has been some great work from our volunteers across the county.

Bike Week was essentially a ‘virtual’ event with Trevor Halstead and Cycling UK Gainsborough opting to run the Bike Week Charity Ride (in aid of Lincolnshire and Nottinghamshire Air Ambulance) later in the summer. From sponsorship and additional monies from selling old cycles and donations for pumping tyres, in all a grand total of £705 was raised for the charity. Many congratulations to all.

Cycling UK Lincolnshire were also able to run two Audax events. The Lincoln Imp orgsanised by Andy Townhill on 4th September and The Wolds Traverse on 19th September organised by Alan Hockham attracted many riders who would go onto enjoy great routes and hospitality across our county.

A regular rides programme was organised by Cycling UK Gainsborough, Cycling UK Louth and Cycling UK Lincoln with the Lincoln Women’s Group also organising a number of rides.

We were of course delighted to have Melanie Carroll re-elected as a Cycling UK Trustee in November. Additionally, Melanie is a passionate campaigner and continues her volunteering across many positions including Cycling UK’s Cycle Advocacy Network. Melanie along with a number of other members have been active in taking part in networking meetings, Big Bike Revival and on the back of the Climate Change Conference in Glasgow, the Lincolnshire Climate Summit 2021.

Cycling UK’s values aim to guide us in our day to day working and long-term planning and underpin our vision of a healthier and cleaner world because more people cycle. Cycling UK Lincolnshire welcomes current and would be volunteers and with invitations to this year’s AGM reaching over 280 members hopefully we’ll gain new support.

We look forward to a busy and successful year ahead. Very soon we’ll be celebrating CTC Lincolnshire District Association’s 92nd Anniversary. This will be followed by Volunteer’s Week, the Queen’s Platinum Jubilee, Bike Week, Birthday Rides and the Lincoln Imp Audax in September and a chance too to work with Cycling UK East Midlands on a long-distance cycling route across Lincolnshire. With a full programme of rides and events there’s plenty to look forward to.

Yours in Cycling

Tim Newbery

Chair Cycling UK Lincolnshire