

Narberth-Haverfordwest Route Public Consultation

Haverfordwest Farmers Market - July 20th 2018

Agricultural Show – August 14th 2018

Sustrans Cymru – BRO – Pembrokeshire CC



RESPONDENTS

164 people offered responses and ideas on the day

58 were in favour of developing the route – three said they were no strong opinion either way. No-one offered any criticism or was negative.

THEMES OF REPONSES AND IDEAS

Analysis of the material showed the following major themes that

Usage of existing and planned routes

There was concern that cyclists are not using the dedicated paths created to the west of Haverfordwest at the moment.

- Despite development of paths (good paths already west of Haverfordwest)

- people still on roads rather paths – need education on this
- Cyclists on roads – would like to see more off road
- Enforce people to use cycle paths
- People on roads at the moment rather the built paths

Slebech is important as an opportunity and to avoid dangers of using the A40

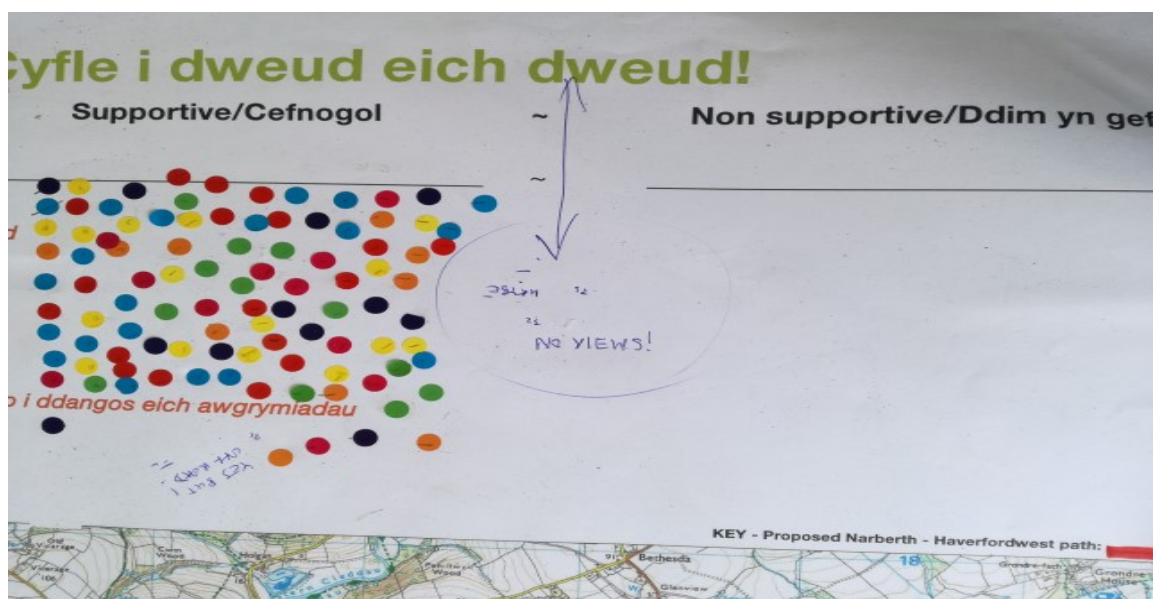
- Slebech could benefit from visitors and offer food /drink etc
- Slebech stretch difficult – needs to be used to avoid A40
- Business opportunity for Slebech!!
- Very nice tracks at Slebech already
- Not on the A40!! (x3)

Maintenance needed after build

- Maintenance an issue - Areas already overgrown on paths developed to the west of HFW
- Maintenance on paths already developed – overgrown
- Needs to be maintained
- Shared use a problem – maintenance after building!

Accessibility and mixed usage

- Accessible for all
- Bluestone was gated/fenced off recently – needs to be looked at
- Shared usage can cause issues
- Conflicts amongst users
- Difficult to access bridleways for riders from Johnston
- Horse and cyclists should be separated - can cause damage to paths
- Speeding traffic an issue in places#
- Traffic bombs along straight roads



Nature of tracks

- Keep any tracks environmentally friendly – raise awareness of wildlife and existing species. Place nature areas alongside or nearby?
- Don't use tarmac!
- Surfaces are important especially for multiuse for horses and bikes

Need to market the route and provide appropriate signage

- Important how the route is marketed
- Give an identity – benches and sculptures
- Signage must be spot on for all users
- Signage needs to be improved - “to avoid getting lost”

Haverfordwest-specific

- Need more in Haverfordwest to bring people in - “Stop destroying the town” – restaurants along the riverside?
- Ask holidaymakers would they come back to Haverfordwest?
- A bike park in the area would be good!
- Loops in and out of Haverfordwest – “flower petals”
- Connect to Fortune Frolic in Haverfordwest
- Contact Mike's Bikes in Haverfordwest for involvement

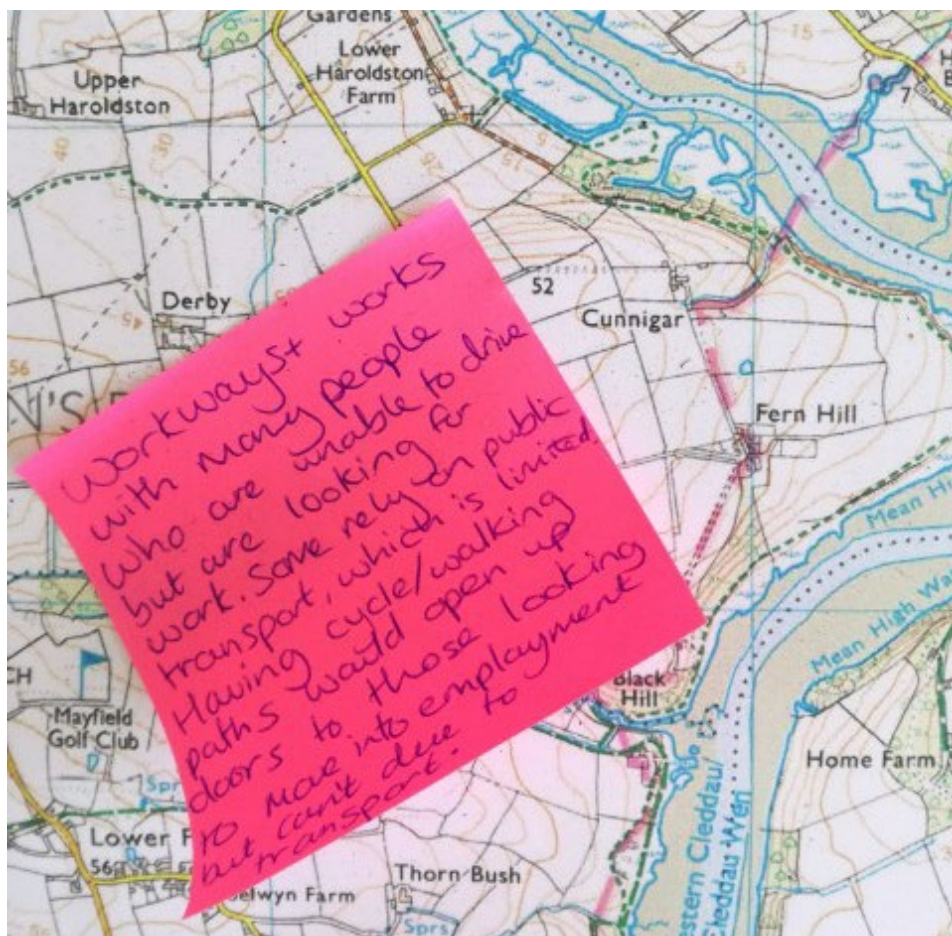


Links with adequate public transport

- Needs to connect to bus services
- Narberth to Canaston Mill is a great walk – needs to loop back with public transport
- Public transport is expensive

Loops and Links to other trails, attractions and activities

- Links to Brunel Trail important (x2)
- Circular walks
- Loops to the south needed too
- Circular routes would be good – loops!
- Good cycle path to Pelcam – need to get route to St David's (x2)
- River canoeing seen as opportunity in the area – how does it link with the cycling and walking?
- Anything that connects to nice places like Blackpool Mill is a good idea
- Café at Blackpool Mill?
- Great idea! You need to get Blackpool Mill going as an attraction too!
- Picton route would be very useful



Other

- Good idea!!
- Great idea for families!
- Great ideas to help who is looking for a job but unable to drive to feel they can access their workplace easily and safely
- Tranquillity is paramount
- Some areas where roads are used – cattle muck on them – unpleasant to use
- Work with Pembrokeshire Prospectors (Metal Detecting) when route is being developed
- Traffic can bomb along straight sections
- Good for people who have dementia – place to socialise
- I use the lanes north of the A40 – very quiet though dangerous to cross the road back towards Narberth at one point
- Very exciting, I would ride this a lot
- Need clarity where the money is coming from
- There are other priorities for expenditure