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Carol Beattie Chief Executive Stirling Council Old Viewforth Stirling FK8 2ET

Our Ref: ALMG

Dear Chief Executive,

## Re: King's Highway Project

We are writing to you to show our support for the proposed King's Highway active travel route connecting Stirling and Drymen.

We are greatly supportive of investing in active travel as it can bring many environmental, health and economic benefits. As part of the City Region Deal this would be a great opportunity to improve connectivity of the villages to the west of Stirling. Active travel can result in reduced emissions of fossil fuels, helping to tackle climate change and improve air quality. Active travel can also contribute towards increased physical activity which has positive health outcomes.

The project has support from various community organisations, most notably the Gargunnock Community Trust who have undertaken a power of work to get the idea off the ground. There is local support for the project, and we believe that the Council should help to realise this exciting plan.

Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Yours sincerely,

Alyn Smith MP

Alex Rowley MSP

Councillor Alasdair Tollemache

Mark Ruskell MSP