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INQUIRY INTO THE UTILISATION OF RAIL CORRIDORS

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Great to see some consideration of this issue.

Having worked in local government for 15 years and often involved in cycleway planning it seems anything you can do to make corridors more available for shared pathways would be a good idea.

Grades are perfect for riding and by definition it encourages use of public transport for longer journeys. On the central coast it would be perfect for extending tourist trails where people on bikes can branch out from various points to explore and spend time and money. The costs would be reduced as the land does not need acquiring.

My experience in Europe suggests there is a big tourism market here if trails were created. A great way to encourage more tourists into regional areas.

Most councils now have plans to extend various on and off road cycleways so half the planning is already done as well.

Please legislate to make this easier to achieve.

Thanks for the chance to comment.