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Re: Your request made under the Freedom of Information Act 2000

We are Retford Cycling Campaign, promoting and advocating for better health, education, infrastructure to reduce barriers to cycling and other healthy activities, for vulnerable road users, such as people on bikes, on foot, hoof, or on wheels in Retford.

There has been a rapid increase in cycling locally, even our Town Mayor and local councillor, Garry Clarkson has declared himself a "born again cyclist". And our local MP Brendon Clarke-Smith is supportive of campaigns to improve health and well-being

Speaking to people locally, and via our survey (survey2020.retfordcyclingcampaign.org) we have been told that people fear cycling in Retford, because they do not feel safe. Some of this is down to the feeling of not being safe, and lack of adult education to encourage local people to cycle safely, and poor infrastructure. We are contacting organisations to understand how we can reduce these barriers.

We feel that these are removable barriers to cycling and other forms of exercise such as walking.

Please can you provide anonymised statistics on the number of patients, broken down into sex and age groups (e.g. under 25, under 45, under 65) that have had a health referral for cycling from your GP practices in DN22. Or point us to where we can find these statistics.

We don't have a referral to cycling pathway, so can't provide the requested information. This would be GP led, so please redirect your request onto them individually.

A full list of practices is available here: <http://www.bassetlawccg.nhs.uk/local-services/categories/13>

Alternatively, you could try contact Bassetlaw CCG.