



2023 UCI Cycling World Championships - SPT Progress Update

Committee Operations

Date of meeting 28 April 2023

Date of report 4 April 2023

Report by Chief Executive

1. Object of report

To update members on the 2023 UCI Cycling World Championships being hosted in Scotland in August 2023 and SPT's preparations in support of the event.

2. Background

The 2023 UCI Cycling World Championships takes place from 3 - 13 August 2023 at various locations across Scotland. Major components of the event will be held in and around Greater Glasgow. Further details on the event are available at <https://www.cyclingworldchamps.com/>

The Championships will be the biggest cycling event ever held, combining 13 separate world championships of various cycling disciplines into one event for the first time and will involve 2,600 athletes from more than 120 countries, with over 8,000 participants overall. Details on the event are included in the presentation attached at Appendix 1.

Over 1 million spectators are expected to attend the event and it is anticipated that this will have a positive economic impact on the economy of the city and wider region. However, as with previous major events hosted in our region, it is expected that there will be significant impact on the transport network and SPT, in partnership with others, is seeking to ensure that any impact is minimised as far as possible.

3. Update

The main impacts of the event on the transport network of the SPT area are as follows:

- Junior Men's and Junior Women's Road Races, Saturday 5 August, affecting a circuit of the City Centre and West End;
- Elite Men's Road Race, Sunday 6 August, affecting approaches to Glasgow via East Dunbartonshire, and a circuit of the City Centre and West End;
- Mixed Relay Time Trial, Tuesday 8 August, affecting a circuit of the City Centre and West End;
- Men's Under 23 Road Race, Saturday 12 August, affecting the Balloch area of West Dunbartonshire, approaches to Glasgow via East Dunbartonshire, and a circuit of the City Centre and West End;

- Elite Women's and Women's Under 23 Road Races, Sunday 13 August, affecting the Balloch area of West Dunbartonshire, approaches to Glasgow via East Dunbartonshire, and a circuit of the City Centre and West End.

In addition to the above, City Centre and West End circuits will be closed to traffic from 4 to 8 August and again on 7, 12 and 13 August. Approach roads leading into the city will be managed by means of rolling roadblocks.

Furthermore, several cycling events are being held at venues within Glasgow, including Knightswood BMX Centre, Glasgow Green, the Emirates Arena and the Sir Chris Hoy Velodrome.

SPT is involved in various workstreams in preparing for the event, including:

- Hosting and attending the National Transport Working Group.
- Hosting and attending the Venue Transport Working Groups.
- Liaising with Subway management in respect of any additional Subway requirements on the Sundays of the event and deployment of volunteers to assist with visitor wayfinding. A meeting was held with Subway representatives in this respect on 24 February 2023.
- Liaising with bus station management in respect of deployment of volunteers to assist with visitor wayfinding etc.
- Liaising with the bus industry in respect of connecting the event management with the industry in order to keep them informed of the extensive impact of the event on bus operations. A meeting was held with bus operator representatives to this end on 24 February 2023.
- Liaising with the event organisers in respect of what, if any, requirement there will be of SPT staff in any relevant Transport Control Centre during the event.

Discussions with UCI Cycling World Championships regarding any additional SPT costs relating to the above activities remains ongoing. Additionally, an internal SPT Steering Group has been established to coordinate the above activities across the organisation. Officers will endeavour to keep members updated on any transport issues as the event approaches.

4. Committee action

The Committee is recommended to note this report.

5. Consequences

Policy consequences	<i>The event supports RTS priorities around low carbon growth, inclusive economic growth and a transport system that helps everyone to have healthier and more active lives.</i>
Legal consequences	<i>None directly.</i>
Financial consequences	<i>No financial consequences at this stage.</i>
Personnel consequences	<i>None directly.</i>

Equalities consequences

The event organisers have published an Equality, Diversity and Inclusion Framework and Supporting Pledge aimed at ensuring the event is accessible, inclusive and community focussed.

Risk consequences

None directly.

Climate Change, Adaptation & Carbon consequences

The event organisers acknowledge there will be negative carbon impacts given its scale but aim to mitigate this by consolidating thirteen championships into one, encouraging sustainable travel to the event and promoting the role of cycling in limiting climate impacts.

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2023 UCI CYCLING WORLD CHAMPIONSHIPS

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2023
GLASGOW SCOTLAND



THE BIGGEST CYCLING EVENT IN HISTORY

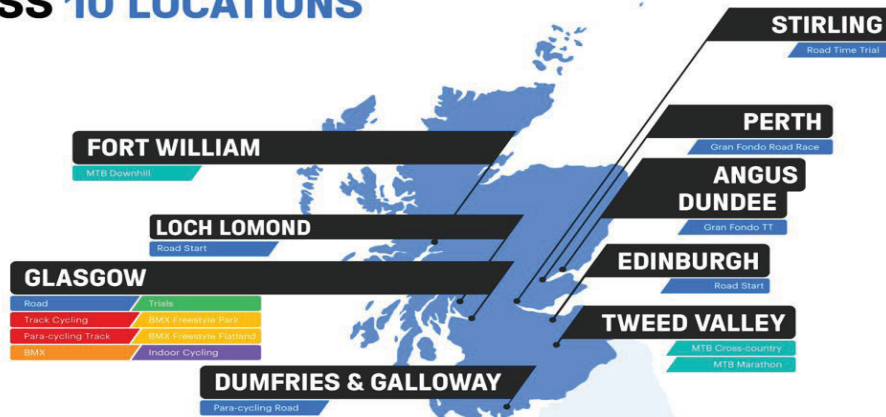
- 13 separate world championships combined into one mega-event for the first time
- 2,600 elite able-bodied and para- athletes from 120+ countries
- 8,000+ participants, including mass participation events
- Will be one of the world's top 10 most watched sporting events
- New combined event format will place every four years, one year ahead of the Olympics



**A LOCAL EVENT.
GLOBAL AMBITION.
VISIONARY
STAKEHOLDERS.**



CYCLING EVENTS ACROSS 10 LOCATIONS



The disciplines shown are:

- BMX FREESTYLE FLATLAND
- BMX FREESTYLE PARK
- BMX RACING
- GRAN FONDO
- PARA-CYCLING ROAD
- ROAD
- MOUNTAIN BIKE DOWNHILL
- MOUNTAIN BIKE MARATHON
- MOUNTAIN BIKING CROSS COUNTRY
- INDOOR CYCLING
- PARA-CYCLING TRACK
- TRACK
- TRIALS

TRACK CYCLING (INC. PARA-CYCLING)

Location: Glasgow – Sir Chris Hoy Velodrome

Days of Competition: 8

Key Notes:
The first time the para-cycling track and track world championships have been combined.

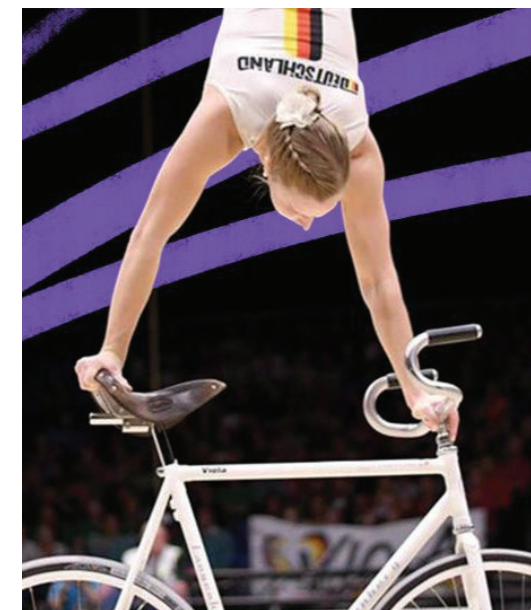


INDOOR CYCLING

Location: Glasgow – Emirates Arena

Days of Competition: 3

Key Notes:
Involves 2 separate disciplines; Cycleball and Artistic Cycling.
Fixed Gear
Cycleball – 2v2
Artistic – Individual / Pairs / Fours
Heartlands of Germany and Austria



BMX RACING

Location: Glasgow - BMX Centre

Days of Competition: 6 + 1

Key Notes:

2 classes – Challenge and Championship.

Championship: Elite / Pros

Challenge: age group riders from 8 to 35+

20 Inch & Cruiser

GB x2 Olympic medals in Tokyo

Gold – Beth Shriever (and World Champion)

Sliver – Kye Whyte

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BMX FREESTYLE FLATLAND

Location: Glasgow Green

Days of Competition: 4

Key Notes:

Breakdancing on bikes

10m x 10m

Judged Competition

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BMX FREESTYLE PARK

Location: Glasgow Green

Days of Competition: 3

Key Notes:

New Olympic discipline

GB Gold in Tokyo - Charlotte Worthington

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TRIALS

Location: Glasgow Green

Days of Competition: 5

Key Notes:

'Cycling Kickstart'

20 inch and 26 inch

Individual and Team Events

GB current World Champion - Jack Carthy (x4)

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MOUNTAIN BIKE DOWNHILL

Location: Fort William

Days of Competition: 3

Key Notes:

Well established Venue

World Championships in 2007

GB – Multiple World Champions - Rachel Atherton.

2020 - Reece Wilson (World Champion)



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MOUNTAIN BIKE CROSS COUNTRY & MARATHON

Location: Glasgow – Tweed Valley

Days of Competition: Marathon 1,
Cross Country 5

Key Notes:

Tom Pidcock - Olympic Gold

Evie Richards - World Champion

Cross Country has multiple race formats



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ROAD PARA-CYCLING

Location: Dumfries and Galloway

Days of Competition: 5

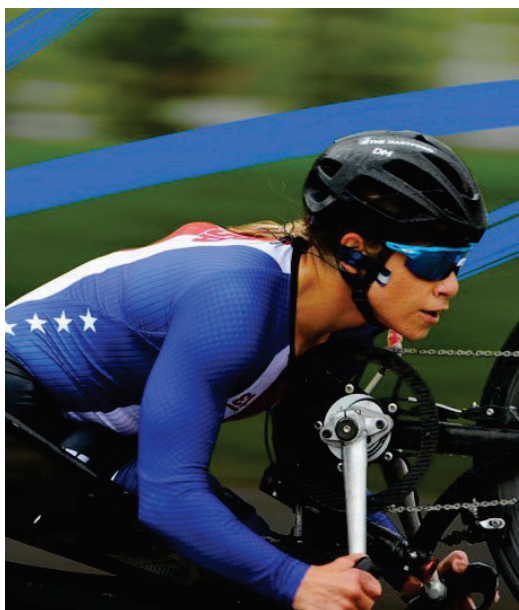
Key Notes:

Tandems / Bikes / Trikes

Time Trails and Road Races

Team Relay – Glasgow

Dame Sarah Storey – Most Successful British Para
Olympian of all time



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GRAN FONDO

Location: Perth & Kinross / Dundee and
Angus

Days of Competition: 3

Key Notes:

Road races / Time Trail / Team Relay

c.27 qualifying rounds around the world

Split by age group

No Pro's (but serious amateurs)



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ROAD RACES

Location: Starts: Edinburgh, Loch Lomond, Glasgow
 Finish: Glasgow

Days of Competition: 5

Key Notes:
 Elite Women/ Elite Men
 U23 Men / U23 Women*
 Junior Women / Junior Men

*2022 sees introduction of U23 Women Championships as part of Elite Race



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ROAD – INDIVIDUAL TIME TRIAL

Location: Stirling

Days of Competition: 3

Key Notes:
 Same categories as Road races
 3 Course lengths
 Finish at Stirling Castle



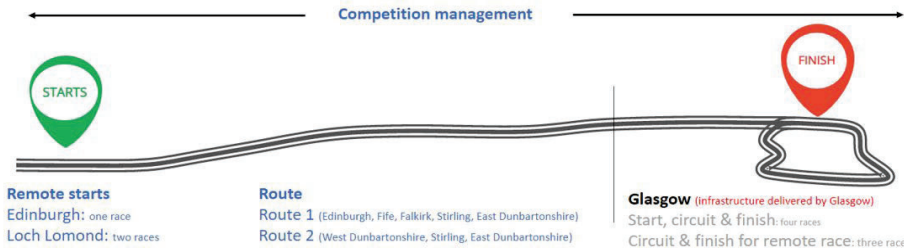
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DEFINITION OF ROAD RACES

2023 UCI Cycling World's Road Race comprises of seven road championships races.
 Individual time trials are in Stirling and do not touch this region.

Course format:

- Four races will be completed entirely on a circuit
- Three races will have remote starts (which subsequently join the circuit).
- Days: **Saturday** (circuit only), **Sunday** (Edinburgh Start), **Tuesday** (circuit only), **Saturday** (Balloch Start), **Sunday** (Balloch Start)



The delivery of the route and infrastructure within Glasgow City's boundary will be managed by Glasgow Life and Glasgow City Council.

