



233 MILES + 50 RIDERS = LIVERPOOL ONE

A group of 50 riders will cycle from Grosvenor's London offices to [Liverpool ONE](#) in two and a half days to raise money for The Liverpool ONE Foundation.

The ride, organised by Chris Taite, the Fund Manager for the Grosvenor Liverpool Fund, sets off on May 27, and its arrival in the city coincides with Liverpool ONE's second anniversary on May 29.



Grosvenor and its investment partners created The Liverpool ONE Foundation two years ago to demonstrate their commitment to supporting local initiatives, organisations and charities working at a grass roots level in the community. Administered by the Community Foundation for Merseyside, it has awarded grants of over £300,000 to date, to well in excess of 50 local causes.



The first day will see the riders cycling to Banbury, a distance of 85 miles from Grosvenor's offices in Mayfair. Day two consists of a 111-mile journey through the heart of England, arriving in Whitchurch for a well-deserved overnight stop. The final day is a 45-mile sprint to Liverpool ONE, with a brief stop at the Chester Grosvenor, and a police escort through the Mersey Tunnel.



There are eight members of staff riding on behalf of Liverpool ONE including Estate Director Chris Bliss, IT Services Manager Simon Kilshaw, Retail Delivery & Project Manager Catherine Pankhurst and Cleansing & Waste Manager Paul Brady.

Said Catherine Pankhurst: "I've never done anything like this before but wanted to do something outside of my comfort zone. I have been training hard both on the road and in the gym and have set a personal goal of raising £1,000, which I'm well on my way to reaching."

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Chris Bliss added: “We’ve been training as a group, going out about 3 times a week covering 20 to 30 miles each time. It’s actually been rather enjoyable – although one ride we managed to get four punctures between six of us! However, our team spirit throughout has been immense.

“We’re all really keen to get started and timing our arrival in Liverpool to celebrate the second anniversary of the opening of Liverpool ONE is just perfect. We are all looking forward to marking the occasion in style.”

Concludes Chris Taite, Fund Manager for the Grosvenor Liverpool Fund: “We are hoping to raise a minimum of £15,000 for the Liverpool ONE Foundation through the ride. More than that, however, we want to raise awareness of the ongoing need for such funds within Liverpool, so that more people and organisations contribute on an ongoing basis.”

To find out more about the Liverpool ONE Foundation, and to make a donation, visit <http://www.justgiving.com/Liverpool-ONE-Foundation>.

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Notes to Editors

Liverpool ONE is a £1 billion shopping, residential and leisure development in Liverpool city centre, led by urban property specialist Grosvenor.

Liverpool ONE’s stores are open for late night shopping until 8pm every weekday, with restaurants open all evening (closing times vary).

Built around the existing streets of Liverpool, the development includes over 100 shops, plus 24 cafes, restaurants & bars, two new hotels, a 14-screen ODEON cinema, 600 apartments and a five-acre park.

Parking for Liverpool ONE is located at three secure Q-Park car parks. The multi-storey Q-Park John Lewis offers 580 spaces and links direct to the John Lewis store via an eye-catching bridge; Q-Park Liverpool ONE (previously known as Strand Street) is a 2000-space underground car park beneath Chavasse Park; and Q-Park Hanover Street, a 560-space multi-storey car park on the edge of Liverpool ONE, opposite BBC Radio Merseyside.

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