# Skerries Eco Festival 2023

Pedal power: Tips on Bike Repairs, Safety, and All-Weather Cycling or,

"All you ever wanted to know about cycling but were afraid to ask!!"

Skerries Cycling Initiative 3 September 2023



### **Skerries Cycling Initiative**

-part of Skerries Community Association



#### What are we about?

- Safer routes to schools, shops, station and nearby towns.
- Engaging with Active Travel and Greenway projects

Today we are looking at some practical aspects of cycling.....

Starting with the bike.



## BICYCLE M-CHECK









#### Safety On the road

- Be seen, cycle arm's length from edge of road.
- Be seen, especially when light poor bright clothing, lights
- Be seeing Observe and anticipate practice looking behind without wobbling.
- Communicate with other road users: hand signals, eye contact
- Never move up/stay on the inside of long vehicles when turning left- blind zone!
- Carry rain jacket just in case!
- For longer trips: Spare tube/repair kit if you can use them, otherwise a telephone number to call.
- Wear a properly fitting helmet.

### Community bike workshop- why?

- Local place to get help with bike issues
- Tools available to use free, and parts at reasonable or no cost
- "Learn by doing" bike maintenance and repair skills, for example:
  - How to fix brakes, punctures, chains, pedals gears.
- Re-homing donated bikes

#### Before finishing.....

#### Catch us until 4.30 today at Bike Shed behind this Theatre

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