

Blood Bikes Wales

Biker Wales are proud to support Blood Bikes Wales. One of our Biker Forum members the.parkerz is an early member of this new volunteer service.

He told us "We intend to provide an alternative means of transporting urgent medical items, out of hours, for the National Health Service. We are all volunteers, from a variety of backgrounds and within the organisation we fulfill a variety of roles.

From motorcyclists to co-ordinators, administrators to fundraisers and website design to rider assessment, all the work of BBwales is carried out by volunteers. We are registered with the Charities Commission and our charity number is pending.

At present any out-of-hours dispatch work is carried out by taxis, couriers, the police and the ambulance service. Using taxis and couriers costs each hospital thousands of pounds every year, while the police and ambulance service have more pressing duties to perform. Along with the obvious cost saving to the NHS and the positive impact of our service on individuals cannot be underestimated. A motorcycle can move vital blood supplies, organs, samples and equipment far quicker than a taxi would. Lives can and have been saved by the rapid response of blood bikes across the U.K.

There are several blood bike groups operating in England at present but there has never been a Blood Bike group in Wales. We are affiliated to the Nationwide Association of Blood Bikes, the overarching body set-up to promote and support the work of the many BB groups around the UK.

Initially we are looking to provide cover for the area from the Severn Estuary, along the M4 corridor into Pembrokeshire. Coverage of Mid and North Wales will follow on in due course. The service we provide will operate from 7pm Fridays to 7am Mondays and weekdays from 7pm to 7am. Bank holidays will also be covered; they will have the same start and finish times.

Should you require any further information, contact details are on our website which is or like us in facebook at Blood Bikes Wales even if you just want to be kept up to date with our progress we can put you on our email list. As you can imagine, our running costs are high, if there is any way you can help with equipment or with a financial donation we would greatly appreciate it."