



## **Date: Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> April 2023** **Chair of TPT Partnership meets** **CEO of Sustrans**

I'd been asked if I wanted to meet Xavier, the CEO of Sustrans, as he was travelling along different sections of the National Cycle Network to help with a book, telling the wonderful story of the National Cycle Network – and one of those sections was on the Trail, in Worsbrough, Barnsley.

The sun was shining, spirits were high and our local volunteers were just fabulous!

Xavier started his journey from Penistone station, which gave him a great opportunity to enjoy the resurfacing of the Trail that has been completed recently from Silkstone right through to Worsbrough. This resurfacing has been funded by the Department of Transport, through our colleagues at Sustrans which is great news as the TPT national office can't bid directly for this funding but rest assured, I know they are involved in all the planning meetings.

It was wonderful to meet Xavier again as it's some time since I met him when I was previously the Vice Chair of the TPT Partnership. It's great to meet someone who shares our passion for the Trail and the great work all our supporters do.

After posing for some photos, we had a quick lunch down at the Wheels & Walkers Café before Xavier was off again to continuing along the Trail, heading to Wombwell – kindly escorted by another of our volunteers.

I'm sure everyone who came along enjoyed the visit as much as I did and long may they continue.

