

Dear Sir/Madam

We are delighted to inform you that Rhondda Cynon Taf Council is hosting the start of Stage 5 of the 2016 Tour of Britain at Aberdare Park on Thursday, September 8.

It is the UK's most prestigious professional cycle race, which attracts a global television audience and features some of the world's elite riders.

The Stage 5 start at Aberdare Park takes place at 10.45am, with the riders swiftly moving through Aberdare town centre, Aberaman, Abercwmboi and Glenboi before heading across Mountain Ash town bridge and travelling along the A4059 to the Abercynon Roundabout on their way along the 205km route to the stage finish in Bath later that day.

Please help to promote this event by sharing this information with all of your Staff and Customers, in addition to displaying the poster enclosed, and let's give these riders the biggest support ever as they ride through the town on that morning.

This is a fantastic opportunity for us to not only raise the profile of Mountain Ash to a massive television audience, but also for us all to work together to make the most of this international event, right here on our doorsteps.

We expect to attract many visitors into the area on Thursday, September 8, therefore there is a huge potential to boost the economy of the town on that day.

In light of this amazing event, please note that there are likely to be delays in the Mountain Ash area due to the race passing through Commercial Street and crossing the town bridge between approximately 10.30am and 11.30am.

There will be a Traffic Order in place prohibiting parking along the route, including loading bays during the race, and any vehicles not complying may be removed.

Please also note that if your Trade Waste and Recycling are usually collected on a Thursday morning (i.e. Thursday, September 8), it will now be collected on Wednesday, September 7 in order to minimise disruption on the day of the race.

For further details on the Tour of Britain Race please visit www.tourofbritain.co.uk or for Stage 5 event details (Aberdare to Bath), please contact the Events Team on 01443 424123.

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