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Dear David,

As the group leader and a run leader for Border Reiver Runners, I would like to offer our support for the re-opening of the Waverley Viaduct.

Border Reivers is a free running club in Carlisle with over 200 runners of varying abilities. We have people who have just started running and have joined us on one of our couch to 5K groups but we also have people who are competitive runners and win age group prizes in races. We run together three times a week on a Monday, Wednesday and Thursday.

As we are a free running club and don't charge membership fees we are somewhat limited as to the sessions we can run, for example we can't use the Sheepmount as you have to pay to use the track, but we do aim to offer our runners a variety of session types and have a number of different routes that we use.

One of our favourite summer sessions is called the Waverley steps. We run out to Waverley Viaduct, complete reps running up and down the steps, and then run back to our meeting point by Trinity. The re-opening of the Viaduct would enable us to create a looped route where we return from the north of the city. This would be an excellent addition to our Waverley steps route but also open more options for us when planning routes for other sessions.

A path that connects the west of the city to the north would not only benefit Border Reiver Runners but also other running clubs, dog walkers and the residents of Carlisle alike.

Yours sincerely,

Jason Pollock

Group leader of Border Reiver Runners