

Cycling makes financial sense

These days, most people are aware (1) the environmental impact of motor vehicles, and they realize that cars are responsible (2) many of the problems facing their cities. Not (3) people, however, ever stop (4) think about how much money they would save by switching from driving to cycling.

Cars cost a lot to buy, and (5) other major investments such as houses, they quickly lose their value. On (6) of that, there are running costs such as repair bills, tax and insurance, all of (7) seem to go up every year.

Bicycles, by contrast, are far (8) expensive to purchase and maintain, do not require petrol and are easy to park. And if a lot more people took up cycling, the government could spend less of the nation's resources on roads, which at present their taxes help pay for (9) they drive on them or not.