In a joint venture the University of Leeds along with British Triathlon and British Cycling are proposing to refurbish the existing Bodington changing pavilion at the Sports Park Weetwood site and create a new closed road circuit cycle track. The University site is located between the A660 Otley Road and A6120 Ring Road, on the North Weetwood Playing Fields.

The Bodington Pavilion and its surrounding sports pitches form part of the Sports Park Weetwood for the University of Leeds. Located three miles north of the main University campus, Sports Park Weetwood covers an extensive area of 100 acres and provides excellent facilities for sport at the University, as well as the wider community wishing to enjoy outdoor activities.

The refurbished pavilion building has been designed by local Architects’ Farrell and Clark of Leeds, and is intended to create modern changing facilities, along with social and support accommodation for the University of Leeds. It also houses some training, treatment and office accommodation as a permanent base for British Triathlon within the region.

The proposed 1.6km closed road circuit cycle track, designed in conjunction with British Cycling following their guidelines. The track will loop around the sports pitches and make use of the undulations and site’s natural topography to provide interest. The proposed new track will continue to develop the interests of cyclists of all levels, both within the University and local community, following on from the massive success of both the ‘Tour de France’ and ‘Tour de Yorkshire’.

It is the intention of the University to apply to Leeds City Council for Planning Permission to refurbish the Pavilion and construct the new track in the near future. However, prior to submission, we would welcome a chance to share our plans and receive your feedback, with an event held on Tuesday 9th February between 4pm and 7pm at the Weetwood Pavilion.

Representatives from the University, British Cycling and Farrell and Clark will be on hand to discuss the proposal. Display boards illustrating the project and other supporting information will also be available at the event for comments.