

Achieving an active Scotland for all: ebikes, adapted cycles and bike shares

Online event. Supporting disabled, elderly and rural cycling
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Drop-in session hosts' biographies





CoMoUK

CoMoUK is playing a leading role in the UK's transition to integrated mobility solutions designed for the public good. Amongst enabling other modes that present an alternative to private car ownership, CoMoUK supports the development of bike shares across Scotland. This is achieved through advocacy, research and development.

Shared Transport for Communities Scottish Micro-grants are available for Scottish community groups to set up a new shared transport scheme. Funding is available for third sector organisations, social enterprises and established community groups.

You can read more about CoMoUK's bike share work and offerings through the below links:

- [Shared Transport for Communities Scottish Micro-grants](#)
- [Shared bikes resources](#)
- [Community bike share schemes](#)

Cycling Scotland

Cycling Scotland and Free Wheel North

Cycling Scotland

Cycling Scotland is the nation's cycling organisation. Working with others, they help create and deliver opportunities and an environment so anyone anywhere in Scotland can cycle easily and safely. Cycling Scotland delivers cycling training programmes for individuals, ride leaders and groups, as well as funding to help workplaces, schools, campuses, communities, and social housing providers across Scotland be cycling friendly and attain nationally accredited awards, for example, through funding facilities that enable cycling.

You can read more about Cycling Scotland's work and offerings through the below links:

- [Cycling Friendly awards and funding](#)
- [Training programmes](#)
- [Bank of resources](#)
- [Cycling events](#)

Free Wheel North

Based in Glasgow, Free Wheel North is a cycling development charity working towards creating a fairer, healthier society by enabling people of all ages and abilities to cycle as part of their everyday lives. Although focusing on people with disabilities ranging from multiple sclerosis to autism, no one is excluded.

Free Wheel North has expertise and experience delivering inclusive cycling services and all that supports this, including training, led rides, maintenance and storage solutions.

Free Wheel North also provides technical support to Cycling Scotland.

Read more about [Free Wheel North's](#) work.



Cycling UK

Cycling UK has championed cycling for over 140 years, protecting the interest of existing and would-be cyclists and inspiring people of all ages, backgrounds and abilities to discover the joys of cycling.

Cycling UK delivers and partners with a range of cycling development projects across Scotland and helps create cycling communities through Shift grant funding.

Shift grant funding is available to organisations that want to help their communities to get cycling. Funding can be used to fund a range of activities, from maintenance and cycling skills sessions to cycle loans and knowledge building sessions. Recipients of the funding also gain access to expert training and networking, as well as a host of support and advice.

You can read more about Cycling UK's work and offerings through the below links:

- [Shift grant funding](#)
- [Cycling UK's projects in Scotland](#)



Paths for all

Paths for all is helping more people choose to walk, wheel or cycle for everyday journeys.

Paths for all can help grant fund a range of activities that encourage people to change their behaviours to walk or cycle as part of their everyday short journeys. The funding aims to tackle carbon emissions, air pollution and health inequalities. Their Smarter Choices, Smarter Places Open Fund is available to public, third and community sector organisations, as well as private sector organisations partnering with eligible bodies. Local authorities are supported through the Local Authority Fund but can also apply to the Open Fund for additional relevant projects.

You can read more about Paths for all's work and offerings through the below links:

- [The Smarter Choices, Smarter Places \(SCSP\) Open Fund](#)
- [The Local Authority Fund](#)
- [Active Travel resources](#)



Fabb Scotland and West Lothian Bike Library

FABB Scotland is inspiring cycling communities across Scotland through its Blazing Saddles' project, a unique mobile cycling resource that demonstrates how, with a fleet of adaptive cycles, ebikes, standard bikes and motivated people, opportunities to go cycling can be open to all.

Fabb Scotland developed and delivers Blazing Saddles' community engagement programme, a bespoke programme available to a range of organisations and projects that seek to promote partnership working and build a sustainable cycling service. This work has enabled people of all ages and abilities to develop socially and emotionally, building confidence and self-worth, and it has changed lives in varied and positive ways.

West Lothian Bike Library is a community interest company which provides the following services: bike recycling; bike loan and rent; sales and servicing; cycling training; all-ability cycling advice; and, active travel advice and promotion. It evolved from West Lothian Health Improvement Team and FABB working in partnership to deliver regular all-ability cycling programmes which evidenced the need for a more sustainable service within West Lothian.

You can read more about Fabb Scotland and West Lothian Bike Library's work and offerings through the below links:

- [Fabb bikes](#)
- [West Lothian Bike Library](#)



Sustrans Scotland

Sustrans is the charity making it easier for people to walk and cycle. They are also the custodians of the National Cycle Network.

Places for Everyone is Sustrans' permanent infrastructure fund for Scotland. Sustrans provides funding and expertise to help deliver walking, wheeling and cycling improvements across the country. They currently have more than 200 projects at various stages of development, ranging from multi-million pound transformations in Scotland's cities to new walking routes between some of Scotland's smallest communities.

Places for Everyone funding is available to local authorities, community groups and other organisations to rebalance streets for everyone.

You can read more about Sustrans' work and offerings through the below links:

- [Places for Everyone funding](#)
- [Sustrans' work in Scotland](#)

energy saving trust

Energy Saving Trust

Energy Saving Trust is an independent organisation dedicated to promoting energy efficiency, low carbon transport and sustainable energy use. We aim to address the climate emergency and deliver the wider benefits of clean energy as we transition to net zero.

We empower householders to make better choices, deliver transformative programmes for governments and support businesses with strategy, research and assurance – enabling everyone to play their part in building a sustainable future.

Interest-free loans are available for organisations and individuals to purchase ebikes, including cargo and adapted cycle options.

The eBike Grant Fund is available to assist local authorities, public sector agencies, further and higher education institutions, active travel hubs and community groups to adopt ebikes as a sustainable alternative to car journeys. The fund can be used to cover the cost of ebikes, ecargo bikes, cargo bikes and trailers, tandems and adapted cycles.

You can read more about Energy Saving Trust's work and offerings through the below links:

- [eBike Grant Fund](#)
- [eBike Loan \(organisations\)](#)
- [eBike Loan \(individuals\)](#)
- [Support for organisations](#)