

About Bikeability Delivery Statistics

Introduction

- 1.1 This note has been produced to assist with the analysis and interpretation of the Bikeability delivery statistics for Local Highway Authorities (LHAs) and School Games Organiser Host Schools (SGOHSs) formerly School Sport Partnerships (SSPs).
- 1.2 The figures reported show how LHAs and SGOHSs have used the Bikeability grant awarded by Department for Transport (DfT) during the period 2006/07 to 2013/14.
- 1.3 During this period, Bikeability grant could be used to fund the delivery of Bikeability at Level 2, at up to £40 per child training place. From 2012/13, the Department expanded the grant rules to include Level 3 training and a broader range of school age children. The figures reported show the number of places delivered using Bikeability grant as either a full or part contribution towards the total cost. However, additional places may have been funded separately by the LHA or SGOHS and are therefore not necessarily the total number of Level 2 and 3 places delivered by the LHA or SGOHS.
- 1.4 The funding and delivery information has been collated from end of year monitoring reports submitted by LHA and SGOHSs to DfT and the Youth Sport Trust (YST).
- 1.5 The data collection process has improved in recent years and the accuracy and availability of data is therefore best in later years.
- 1.6 The self-reported delivery information has been crosschecked against lists of payments made on behalf of DfT to LHAs and SGOHSs during the relevant funding periods. LHAs have been given the opportunity to check and amend their information as required.
- 1.7 Any further queries relating to the delivery of Bikeability training places by individual grant recipients should be addressed to the relevant LHA and/or SGOHS as appropriate.

Local Highway Authorities

- 1.8 LHAs bid for Bikeability grant, based on the number of Bikeability training places they will deliver during a financial year. If the bid is successful, a total grant amount is allocated to the LHA and the equivalent number of Bikeability training places they are expected to deliver for that amount is defined.
- 1.9 The grant claimed from DfT is usually in arrears for training delivered during the funded year. The total amount of funding claimed may therefore be less than the total amount of funding allocated if the target number of training places has not been achieved. Factors affecting under delivery are varied but are commonly due to unexpected course cancellations for reasons such as participant cancellation and adverse weather.
- 1.10 Funding is awarded by DfT at up to £40 per training place delivered. A LHA may claim for less than £40 per training place for any of the following reasons:
 - The LHA makes a contribution towards training (e.g. the Local Highway Authority match-funds the Bikeability grant received from DfT);

- The LHA charges trainees for participation; or
- The actual cost of delivering Bikeability is less than £40 per place (e.g. in certain locations, or where significant economies of scale have been achieved).

1.11 Those LHAs showing no delivery information during the 2008/09 to 2011/12 period may have delivered Bikeability Level 2 places via SSPs.

School Games Organiser Host Schools (SGOHSs)

1.12 From 2008/09, SSPs (now SGOHSs) were invited to access Bikeability grant via the Youth Sport Trust to support the delivery of Bikeability. Delivery and funding data was recorded by academic year, in contrast to LHA data which is recorded by financial year. From 2012/13 delivery and funding has been recorded by financial year to move this in line with the LHAs.

1.13 Prior to the publication of these delivery statistics, grant recipients were given the opportunity to double check the delivery data already held. However, in 2011 the SSP network underwent a period of significant transition and the scale and nature of the network changed. This period of transition did, in some cases, result in the primary contact for Bikeability leaving. It is therefore possible that some of the delivery data held for the 2011/12 period is not 100 per cent accurate.

1.14 Before the 2012/13 period SGOHSs that did not spend the total amount of grant allocated for a given academic year (and thus did not achieve the target number of Bikeability training places) were, in most instances, permitted to carry-over funding to the following academic period. Total funding awarded per year may therefore be a total of grant carried over from the previous year, plus a new allocation. This process was stopped in the 2012/13 period and any grant not spent within the given year was returned to DfT and made available to other grant recipients.

Total Bikeability Training Places Delivered per Financial Year

1.15 Please note, figures are broken down by Local Highway Authority (LHA) and School Games Organiser Host Schools (SGOHSs) formerly School Sport Partnerships (SSPs). Initially there were around 18 local authorities delivering approximately 8,000 training places. The programme has grown considerably with grants now going to 109 LHAs and approximately 74 SGOHSs. Over one million children have now taken part in Bikeability training using DfT funding. Between April 2013 and March 2015 it is expected that more than 620,000 further places will be delivered.

	06/07	07/08	08/09	09/10	10/11	11/12	12/13	13/14	TOTAL
LHA	7,983	26,894	71,958	123,890	129,379	181,497	210,873	231,859	984,333
SGOHS	N/A	N/A	20,621	10,094	69,818	112,472	44,960	47,499	305,464
TOTAL	7,983	26,894	92,579	133,984	199,197	293,969	255,833	279,358	1,289,797