

Bikeability: setting children free

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Level 1

At Level 1 new riders learn to control and master their bikes in a space away from traffic such as a playground or closed car park. Trainees will usually be trained in a group of 3-12, though individual training may also be available in your area. At Level 1 you can:

- prepare yourself and your bike for cycling
- pet on and off your bike without help
- start off, pedal and stop with control
- pedal along, use gears and avoid objects
- > look all around and behind, and control the bike
- → share space with pedestrians and other cyclists

Level 2

Level 2 takes place on local streets, giving trainees a real cycling experience. Trainees learn how to deal with traffic on short journeys such as cycling to school or the local shops.

Trainees are usually trained in small groups – up to 6 trainees per instructor – though individual training may also be available. At Level 2 you can:

- prepare for on-road cycling
- start and finish an on-road journey
- recognise typical hazards
- iet others know what you are about to do
- know where to ride on the road
- pass parked vehicles and side roads

Level 3

Level 3 equips trainees with skills for more challenging roads and traffic situations – busier streets, queuing traffic, complex junctions and roundabouts. It also includes planning routes for safe cycling. Level 3 training is delivered one-to-one or in groups of up to 3 so can be tailored to a trainee's individual needs, such as a route to work or school. At Level 3 you can:

- prepare for a journey
- understand advanced road positioning
- pass queuing traffic
- perceive and deal with hazards
- understand driver blind spots
- react to hazardous road surfaces

























































Is Bikeability Sufficient?





Is Bikeability Necessary?



The story so far...

320k

Bikeability trains **over 320k** children a year

young people trained to date

more effective than other educational programmes

92 percent

50% of young people in

to take part in the scheme

England have the opportunity

of **parents** feel that their child's confidence is for cycling on road is higher after training

380
schemes
across the country
5000
trainers

9_{in} 10 children

feel safer and more confident about riding their bike more often after Bikeability

over 90%

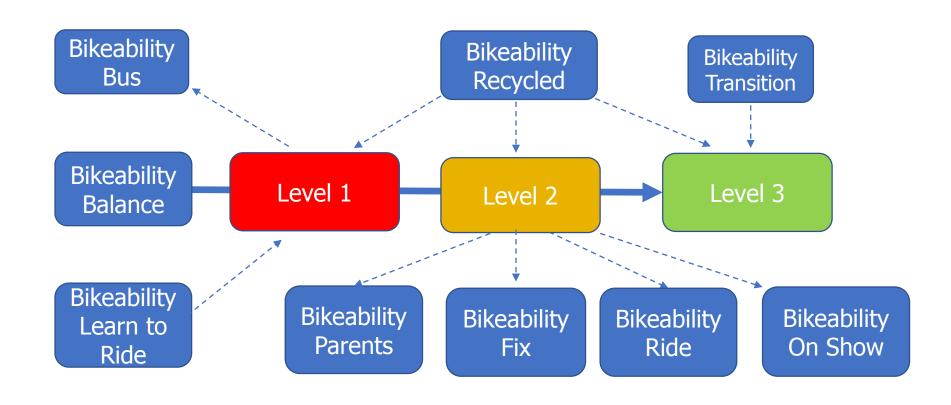
of children would **recommend Bikeability** training to a friend

For every £1 spent on Bikeability there are £3 of economic benefits

- Increased physical fitness
- Benefits from improved safety
- Reduced air pollution

Bikeability Plus





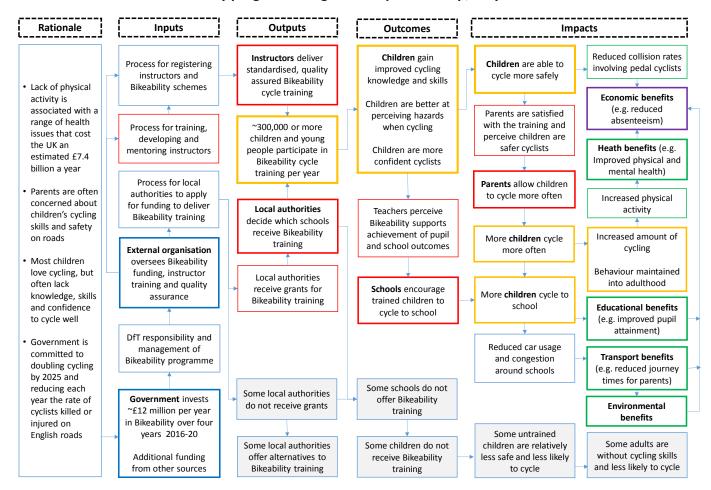
Is Bikeability Effective?



More children cycling More safely More often

Is there Room for Improvement?

Bikeability programme logic model process map, May 2017





Where Bikeability Leads To





Thank you



