



## People and Place Programme

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**Date of meeting** 14 June 2024

**Date of report** 4 June 2024

### Report by Head of Policy and Planning

#### 1. Object of report

The object of this report is to recommend approval of SPT's proposed People and Place Programme (PPP) for 2024/2025, funded by Transport Scotland (TS).

#### 2. Background to report

Further to the update given to the previous Committee<sup>1</sup>, TS contacted SPT in December 2023 regarding changes to the model for delivering active travel and behaviour change projects and initiatives, with more direct funding and control to be delivered through local authorities, reflecting the 'local by default, national by agreement' principle established by the Verity House Agreement<sup>2</sup>.

As part of this new approach, Regional Transport Partnerships (RTPs) were requested to lead on the "People and Place Programme" covering active travel and behaviour change initiatives, with capital and revenue funding from TS to be co-ordinated through RTPs to councils, third sector organisations and other delivery partners.

TS directed that the PPP would comprise of four themes which projects and initiatives must support:

- **Active Schools:** Interventions in schools that deliver holistic solutions for creating an environment where active travel choices are not only an option, but the most effective way to travel for young people and families.
- **Active Workplaces:** Interventions that focus on places of work and further education, and that make active travel choices a realistic solution for commuting.
- **Accessibility and Inclusion:** Interventions which support greater use of active travel by underrepresented groups.
- **Capacity and Capability Building:** Initiatives to facilitate knowledge and skills transfer, and improved joint working between delivery partners, and building capability for improved monitoring and evaluation of projects.

Further, TS stipulated that PPP funding was ringfenced specifically for behaviour change and active travel interventions only, not public transport projects, and therefore the PPP cannot be considered as any form of replacement for TS funding for SPT's general Capital Programme, which in 2024/2025 received no funding from TS.

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<sup>1</sup> Section 3.2.2, [https://www.spt.co.uk/media/wfwdcvc/sp230224\\_agenda8.pdf](https://www.spt.co.uk/media/wfwdcvc/sp230224_agenda8.pdf)

<sup>2</sup> <https://www.gov.scot/publications/new-deal-local-government-partnership-agreement/>

### 3. Outline of proposals

SPT issued a request to councils and other delivery partners for projects for the PPP 2024/2025 and received upwards of 100 applications across 19 delivery partners. However, as regards the indicative budget allocation known to SPT at the time, the application process resulted in the programme being substantially oversubscribed, meaning it was not possible to fund all proposals.

Through an evaluation process based on TS's key themes and priorities, the indicative available budget, the wider policy and operational landscape including the Regional Transport Strategy and emerging SPT Regional Active Travel Strategy, the following were identified:

- 45 'Priority' Projects - projects to be delivered in 2024/2025 - see Appendix 1 for details.
- 29 'Pipeline' Projects - projects identified that could use additional funding should any become available throughout programme.

The Priority Projects were submitted by SPT to TS and were successful in receiving approval from TS, resulting in a formal Offer of Grant made to SPT on 16 April 2024 totalling £7,277,152.00 for financial year 2024/2025. This is broken down as:

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| Revenue allocation: | £2,615,032.00        |
| Capital allocation  | £4,662,120.00        |
| <b>TOTAL</b>        | <b>£7,277,152.00</b> |

Proposals that have been earmarked as 'Pipeline' projects will only be progressed during 2024/2025 subject to funding being made available and in agreement with Transport Scotland. Approval will be sought from the Committee to promote projects from 'pipeline' status into the 'priority' delivery category and to grant award. Details of the 'Pipeline' projects are attached at Appendix 2 for information, although it should be highlighted that at this stage, no funding for the PPP has been confirmed beyond 2024/25.

Given the speed at which the PPP was developed, TS has acknowledged that 2024/2025 will be a transition year as the PPP approach settles in. As the grantee, SPT has the responsibility for issuing and managing the grant in line with the requirements set out by TS In their Offer of Grant letter, and therefore a key part of SPT's work this year will be to undertake a strong and resilient project monitoring, reporting and evaluation programme, which is currently in development. The grant allocation includes funding provision for any resource requirements identified by SPT to help facilitate delivery of the programme for the period of the grant in 2024/2025.

### 4. Conclusion

The creation of the PPP for the SPT area is a positive step forward in ensuring delivery of active travel and behaviour change initiatives. It also creates a potential funding route for projects and initiatives arising from SPT's Regional Active Travel Strategy, which will be presented to the Partnership later in June for public consultation.

It is also worth highlighting that officers continue to engage with TS in relation to the scope of the PPP, specifically in relation to the restriction on spend on public transport projects. Dialogue on this remains positive, and it is hoped that the PPP 2025/2026 and in future years will facilitate a wider scope for funding projects across the sustainable transport spectrum, to ensure an integrated and complementary approach in line with the Regional Transport Strategy.

## 5. Committee action

The Committee is recommended to:

- (i) Note the content of this report;
- (ii) Approve the proposed People and Place Programme 'Priority' projects to be delivered in 2024/2025 as detailed in Appendix 1;
- (iii) Agree to Grant Fund councils and other delivery partners for those awards up to the value of £200,000 and authorise that grant award letters be concluded in line with approved governance arrangements;
- (iv) Recommend to the Partnership meeting of 28 June 2024 approval to Grant Fund councils and other delivery partners those awards over a cumulative value of £200,000; and
- (v) Note the People and Place Programme 'Pipeline' projects as detailed in Appendix 2.

## 5. Consequences

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| Policy consequences                              | <i>Supporting active travel, behaviour change and encouraging more people to walk, wheel and cycle is in line with the RTS and emerging Regional Active Travel Strategy.</i> |
| Legal consequences                               | <i>None at present.</i>  |
| Financial consequences                           | <i>None at present.</i>  |
| Personnel consequences                           | <i>None at present.</i>  |
| Equalities consequences                          | <i>Accessible walking, wheeling, cycling and good public transport links can reduce inequalities by giving equal access to employment, education, and other services.</i>    |
| Risk consequences                                | <i>None at present.</i>  |
| Climate Change, Adaptation & Carbon consequences | <i>Policies that reduce overall vehicle use and increase walking, wheeling, and cycling can assist in lowering emissions thereby reducing carbon impacts.</i>                |

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## Appendix 1: People and Place Programme 2024-2025– ‘Priority’ Project List

| Project Name  | Local Authority/<br>Delivery Partner                               | Total Investment | Revenue     | Capital     | Active Schools | Active Workplaces | Accessibility & Inclusion | Capability & Capacity |
|---|--|------------------|-------------|-------------|----------------|-------------------|---------------------------|-----------------------|
| Helensburgh and Lomond active travel project (Option 2 - 1 DO)  | Argyll and Bute Council  | £123,590.00      | £25,840.00  | £97,750.00  | No             | No                | Yes                       | Yes                   |
| Ayrshire Link   | Ayrshire Roads Alliance on behalf of South & East Ayrshire Council | £450,000.00      | £250,000.00 | £200,000.00 | Yes            | Yes               | Yes                       | Yes                   |
| Access to bikes and cycle parking for schools and young people. | Cycling Scotland   | £592,000.00      | £148,000.00 | £444,000.00 | Yes            | Yes               | Yes                       | Yes                   |
| Access to Bikes programme                                       | Cycling Scotland   | £278,000.00      | £69,500.00  | £208,500.00 | Yes            | Yes               | Yes                       | Yes                   |
| Cycle Storage programme   | Cycling Scotland   | £250,000.00      | £62,500.00  | £187,500.00 | Yes            | Yes               | Yes                       | Yes                   |
| Expanding staff capacity on active travel                       | Cycling Scotland   | £183,000.00      | £ -         | £183,000.00 | Yes            | Yes               | Yes                       | Yes                   |
| Workplace cycle parking programme                               | Cycling Scotland   | £250,000.00      | £62,500.00  | £187,500.00 | No             | Yes               | No                        | No                    |

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|--|-----------------------------|---------------|-------------|---------------|-----|-----|-----|-----|
| Cycle Access Fund (CAF)                                  | Cycling UK                  | £1,217,399.00 | £48,280.00  | £1,169,119.00 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| Inverclyde Bothy   | Cycling UK                  | £137,368.00   | £75,544.00  | £61,824.00    | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| Access to Bikes  | East Dunbartonshire Council | £50,000.00    | £ -         | £50,000.00    | No  | No  | Yes | No  |
| Love to Ride   | East Renfrewshire Council   | £40,000.00    | £40,000.00  | £ -           | No  | Yes | No  | No  |
| Primary to Secondary School Transition Training          | East Renfrewshire Council   | £30,000.00    | £30,000.00  | £ -           | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| Bike for Good: Access to Bikes                           | Glasgow City Council        | £212,880.00   | £148,880.00 | £64,000.00    | No  | No  | Yes | No  |
| Bike for Good: Promoting Safe Cycling                    | Glasgow City Council        | £140,148.00   | £134,438.00 | £5,710.00     | No  | No  | Yes | No  |
| Bike for Good: Training and Employability                | Glasgow City Council        | £142,572.00   | £117,372.00 | £25,200.00    | No  | Yes | Yes | No  |
| Nextbike - Bike for All                                  | Glasgow City Council        | £28,000.00    | £28,000.00  | £ -           | No  | No  | Yes | No  |
| Play Together on Pedals                                  | Glasgow City Council        | £126,218.00   | £4,480.00   | £121,738.00   | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| Training & Bike Repair Programme by Drumchapel Cycle Hub | Glasgow City Council        | £75,000.00    | £58,000.00  | £17,000.00    | No  | No  | Yes | No  |

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|--|---------------------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-----|-----|-----|-----|
| Women and Families on Wheels (Women on Wheels)       | Glasgow City Council      | £50,000.00  | £50,000.00  | £ -         | Yes | Yes | Yes | No  |
| Walking promotion schools                            | Inverclyde Council        | £29,910.00  | £29,910.00  | £ -         | Yes | No  | Yes | No  |
| WOW and Living Streets Walking Programme             | Living Streets            | £313,032.00 | £139,446.00 | £173,586.00 | Yes | Yes | Yes | No  |
| National Park Mobility Partnership                   | LLTNP                     | £45,000.00  | £45,000.00  | £ -         | No  | No  | No  | Yes |
| Travel Smart Workplaces                              | North Ayrshire Council    | £70,500.00  | £70,500.00  | £-          | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| General Travel Smart Delivery                        | North Ayrshire Council    | £42,100.00  | £42,100.00  | £ -         | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| Travel Smart Communities                             | North Ayrshire Council    | £44,600.00  | £44,600.00  | £ -         | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| North Lanarkshire Active Travel Hubs                 | North Lanarkshire Council | £102,000.00 | £ -         | £102,000.00 | Yes | Yes | Yes | No  |
| People and Places Secondary School Walking programme | Paths for All             | £361,000.00 | £50,000.00  | £311,000.00 | Yes | No  | Yes | No  |
| People and Place Workplace Walking programme         | Paths for All             | £205,200.00 | £50,000.00  | £155,200.00 | No  | Yes | Yes | No  |
| Cycle and Scooter Parking                            | Renfrewshire Council      | £41,646.00  | £ -         | £41,646.00  | Yes | No  | No  | No  |

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| Active Travel Maps - Schools  | Renfrewshire Council      | £8,385.00   | £ -        | £8,385.00   | Yes | No  | No  | No  |
| Better Points   | Renfrewshire Council      | £71,435.00  | £71,435.00 | £ -         | Yes | No  | No  | No  |
| Rock Up & Ride (Adaptive Bikes Library)   | Scottish Cycling          | £95,099.65  | £12,700.00 | £82,399.65  | No  | No  | Yes | No  |
| Rock Up & Ride (Childrens)  | Scottish Cycling          | £395,748.27 | £50,000.00 | £345,748.27 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| Rock Up & Ride (Communities)  | Scottish Cycling          | £181,589.33 | £22,980.00 | £158,609.33 | No  | No  | Yes | Yes |
| Beat the Street   | South Lanarkshire Council | £135,500.00 | £90,000.00 | £45,500.00  | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| BetterPoints - Think, Move, Breathe   | South Lanarkshire Council | £60,000.00  | £38,000.00 | £22,000.00  | Yes | Yes | Yes | No  |
| Travelknowhow Scotland - Travel Planning Resource for workplaces across Scotland (SPT Regional Project) | SPT                       | £48,000.00  | £48,000.00 | £ -         | No  | Yes | No  | Yes |
| People and Place Programme Staff Support - Senior Grade   | SPT                       | £50,500.00  | £50,500.00 | £ -         | No  | No  | No  | Yes |

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| People and Place Programme Staff Support - Junior Grade          | SPT                         | £40,515.00           | £40,515.00  | £ -        | No  | No  | No  | Yes |
| Active Travel Strategy   | SPT                         | £40,000.00           | £40,000.00  | £ -        | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| Active Travel Hubs   | SPT                         | £91,463.75           | £ -         | £91,463.75 | Yes | Yes | Yes | No  |
| I Bike Schools   | Sustrans                    | £217,003.00          | £184,262.00 | £32,741.00 | Yes | No  | No  | No  |
| Education and young people                                       | Sustrans                    | £141,750.00          | £141,750.00 | £ -        | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| Love to Ride   | West Dunbartonshire Council | £43,000.00           | £ -         | £43,000.00 | No  | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| Revision & assessment of core paths around schools               | West Dunbartonshire Council | £16,000.00           | £ -         | £16,000.00 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| Independent Traveller and Walking programmes, School Travel Plan | West Dunbartonshire Council | £10,000.00           | £ -         | £10,000.00 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes |
|  | <b>Total</b>                | <b>£7,277,152.00</b> |             |            |     |     |     |     |



## Appendix 2: People and Place Programme 2024-25– ‘Pipeline’ Project List

| Project Name  | Local Authority / Delivery Partner | Total Investment | Active Schools | Active Workplaces | Accessibility & Inclusion | Capability & Capacity |
|---|------------------------------------|------------------|----------------|-------------------|---------------------------|-----------------------|
| Bikeability Cycle Training  | Argyll and Bute Council            | £50,000.00       | Yes            | Yes               | Yes                       | No                    |
| Bikes Back to the Community   | Argyll and Bute Council            | £40,000.00       | No             | No                | Yes                       | No                    |
| Helensburgh Active Travel Map   | Argyll and Bute Council            | £20,000.00       | No             | No                | Yes                       | No                    |
| Better Journeys Sustainable Travel Promotional Campaign   | Argyll and Bute Council            | £40,000.00       | No             | No                | Yes                       | No                    |
| Active Travel Officer   | Argyll and Bute Council            | £70,000.00       | No             | No                | No                        | Yes                   |
| EDC Annual Travel Survey  | East Dunbartonshire Council        | £10,000.00       | No             | Yes               | No                        | Yes                   |
| Traffic Free Schools  | East Dunbartonshire Council        | £30,000.00       | Yes            | No                | No                        | No                    |
| Beat the Street   | East Renfrewshire Council          | £130,000.00      | Yes            | No                | No                        | No                    |
| ERC Staff Planning Initiative   | East Renfrewshire Council          | £16,000.00       | No             | Yes               | No                        | Yes                   |
| Active Travel Information Digital Hub   | Glasgow City Council               | £40,000.00       | No             | No                | No                        | Yes                   |
| Counteracting Transport and Health Poverty Through Sharing and Learning - (St Paul's Youth Forum) | Glasgow City Council               | £179,826.00      | Yes            | No                | Yes                       | No                    |
| Go Active Workplaces  | Glasgow City Council               | £25,000.00       | No             | Yes               | No                        | Yes                   |
| Go Eco Glasgow Active Travel and Sustainable Transport Programme (Glasgow Eco Trust)              | Glasgow City Council               | £60,000.00       | No             | No                | Yes                       | No                    |
| Police Scotland - Safe Cycling  | Glasgow City Council               | £20,000.00       | No             | No                | Yes                       | No                    |
| Sustainable Travel Behaviour Change Capacity & Capability   | Glasgow City Council               | £30,000.00       | No             | No                | No                        | Yes                   |

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|---|---------------------------|------------|-----|-----|-----|-----|
| Cycle storage   | Inverclyde Council        | £3,945.00  | No  | Yes | No  | No  |
| Auditing Business Parks                                       | Inverclyde Council        | £2,373.00  | No  | Yes | No  | No  |
| Transport Planning  | Inverclyde Council        | £13,453.00 | No  | No  | Yes | No  |
| Pool Bikes  | Inverclyde Council        | £77,373.00 | No  | No  | Yes | No  |
| Consultations   | Inverclyde Council        | £9,781.00  | No  | No  | Yes | Yes |
| Promotion   | Inverclyde Council        | £6,555.00  | No  | No  | Yes | No  |
| Access to Bikes   | Inverclyde Council        | £20,670.00 | No  | No  | No  | Yes |
| Go on get out there! Project                                  | North Ayrshire Council    | £2,500.00  | Yes | No  | No  | Yes |
| Active Travel Events  | Renfrewshire Council      | £31,250.00 | No  | No  | Yes | No  |
| Smarter Choices for Young People                              | Renfrewshire Council      | £52,000.00 | Yes | No  | Yes | No  |
| EqIA training to support availability of active travel to all | Renfrewshire Council      | £6,000.00  | No  | No  | No  | Yes |
| School Streets  | Renfrewshire Council      | £52,000.00 | Yes | No  | No  | No  |
| Love to Ride - South Lanarkshire                              | South Lanarkshire Council | £37,240.00 | Yes | No  | Yes | No  |
| #AndSheCycles   | Sustrans                  | £42,919.00 | Yes | No  | Yes | No  |