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Dear Parish or Town Clerk,

Re: Funding for Bikeability cycle training in schools

Bikeability cycle training is offered as a free service to all Cambridgeshire primary schools. To date this has been funded through a Department for Transport (DfT) grant to Cambridgeshire County Council. Due to growing demand, the DfT have not been able to provide a guarantee that all of the funding required will be available.

More information about Bikeability can be seen at this link: <https://bikeability.org.uk/>

For the current financial year full funding is in place, but from April 2019 there may not be enough funding to ensure that every school is offered all of the training places that they require. Currently it costs £40 per pupil to participate in the training.

The funding situation was discussed by the County Council's Economy and Environment Committee on 12th July 2018. It was resolved that officers should contact Parish, Town and District Councils, as well as schools, to gauge their appetite to consider making some sort of financial contribution towards the cycle training, to ensure that demand can be met in their local area.

I am therefore writing to your Council to see if you would be prepared to make a financial contribution towards cycle training in your area.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads 'Mike Davies'.

Mike Davies
Team Leader – Cycling Projects