



Coordinator Bio

Western Isles Bikeability Scotland Coordinator

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Jenna is an Active Schools Coordinator in the Western Isles and has been a Bikeability Scotland Coordinator since 2011.

She has enjoyed working alongside the local Active Schools team and Cycling Scotland over the last few years, towards a more sustainable model of delivery. This culminated in a 100% opportunity & participation rate for all schools at both Bikeability Scotland Level 1 and 2, and resulted in the local authority winning 'Best Practice in Travel to School and Work Schemes' Award at the 2019 Transport Awards. Jenna is a trained Cycle Trainer, Trail Cycle Leader, Go MTB Accreditation & CT Plus Trainer.

Earliest memory of cycling?

Getting my laces caught in the pedals...tie your laces!! But also, the freedom of being able to go places by yourself, picking up your pals along the way, without relying on anyone else to get you there.

What would you say to a school thinking about participating in Bikeability Scotland?

Definitely do it! Riding your bike is a life skill, and there are numerous benefits – independence, confidence, health & fitness, active travel, & a lifelong activity, to name but a few. Staff often comment about how much both they and the pupils benefit from attending, and the level of enjoyment they get from it, so go for it!

Best Bikeability Scotland moment?

Being told by a parent that her son wouldn't ride his bike due to low confidence, as he struggled to control the bike. However, following his attendance at Bikeability Scotland 1 in the playground and successful completion of Bikeability Scotland 2 on the roads, he is a lot more confident & can be seen riding his bike regularly!

Most likely to be heard saying....

"Bike? – Check. Helmet? – Check. Final check? – Check!"