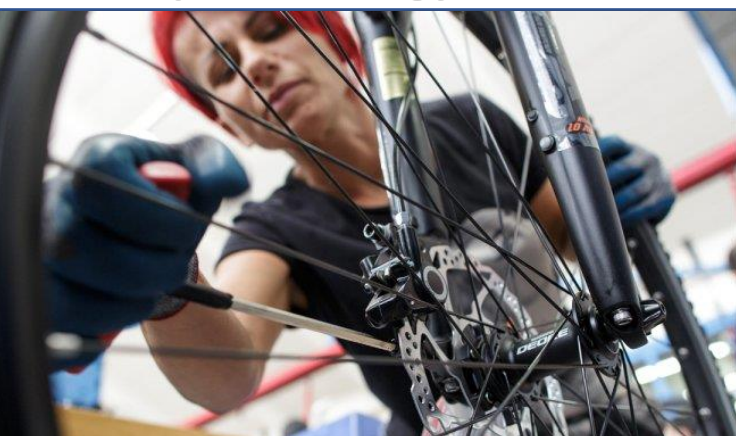




FAST Grant: building a regional e-bike sharing scheme.

In June this year SEStran launched a new grant award, the Forth Active Sustainable Travel (FAST) Grant; which aimed to fund projects delivering more sustainable and active outcomes for the people and communities in our region, helping to reduce the number of single person car journeys, a key objective of the Scottish Governments national transport strategy.



From the 34 projects submitted we saw the opportunity to develop a regional e-bike sharing scheme. It was decided to progress 7 projects and we will be working with key partners across the region to deliver e-bike

pilot schemes in Falkirk, St Andrews, East Lothian and Edinburgh. This exciting 3 year project will be a first in Scotland. It will enable people to join one scheme and access bikes for commuting and fun. The e-bike hubs will connect journeys enabling links between different modes of transport and making your journey more active and sustainable. To find out more please visit www.sestran.gov.uk.





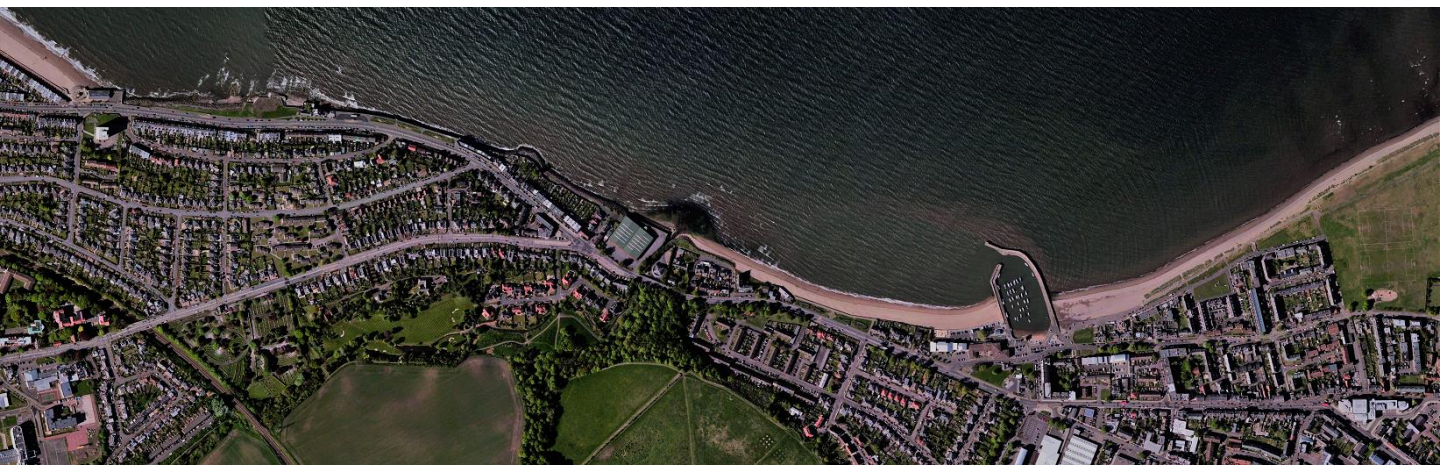
Active Travel Link between Musselburgh and Portobello

In 2015, SEStran published the Strategic Cross Boundary Cycle Development study. The purpose of the report was to develop a strategy for guiding investment in cross local authority boundary sections of the cycle network, particularly commuter routes, which are often overlooked or not considered to be a priority.

Amongst the routes proposed, the corridor from Musselburgh to Portobello, linking East Lothian to Edinburgh, was identified as a missing link in the network.

In 2016, Ironside Farrar were appointed through the Regional Cycle Network Grant Scheme fund (provided to SEStran by Sustrans Scotland) to produce a feasibility study for route options along the corridor linking the neighbouring authorities.

There is adequate road space along the route to provide a segregated and shared use facility for its duration. SEStran has identified the importance of providing a high-quality link and are encouraging both the City of Edinburgh Council and East Lothian Council prioritise the route in the near future. To find out more go to our website: sestran.gov.uk/publications



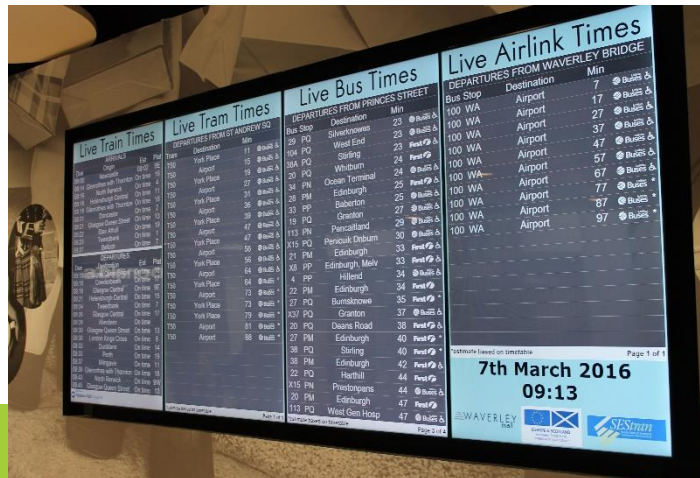
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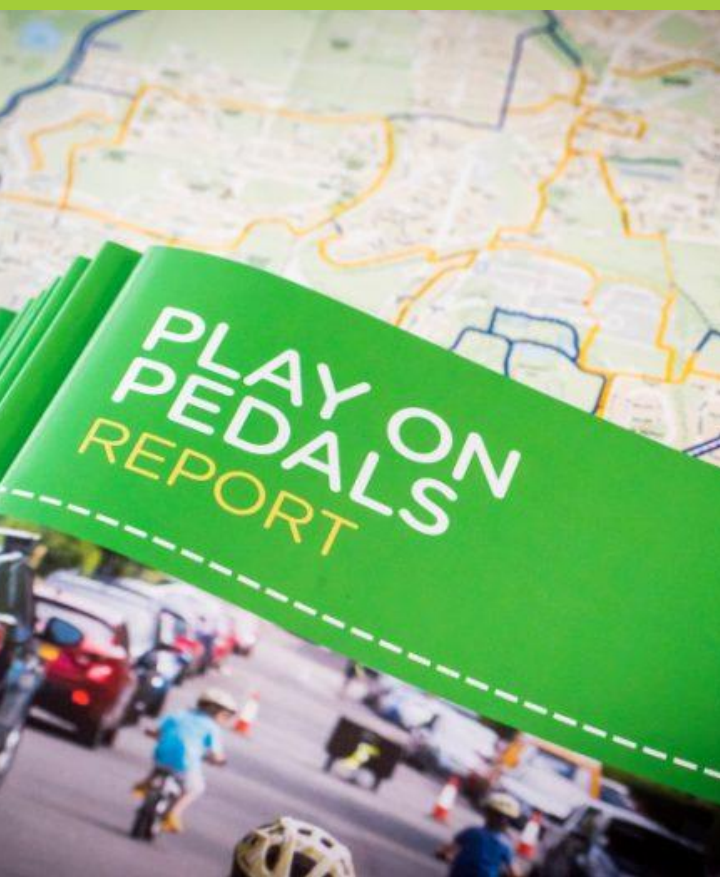
In partnership with Cycling
Scotland SEStran helps deliver this
great program in schools across
the region, the aim is to have 100%
of schools giving pupils on road
cycle training. Yes a BIG target! We
have been making some good
progress but need help to get to
100%. So if you have a school in
your area that would like to get
involved or you might be
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We also help deliver the Play on
Pedals program helping pre-school
children to learn about the parts of a
bicycle, how to fit a helmet correctly
and the basics of looking after their
bikes. Through a series of fun and
imaginative activities, they will be
helped to develop their balance and
control skills.

When ready, children will get the
opportunity to move onto a pedal
bike. All sessions and games are
designed to support confidence,
interactive learning and
development of physical skills.

What is your RTP?

The South East of Scotland Transport Partnership is the statutory Regional Transport Partnership for the south east of Scotland. We are one of seven Regional Transport Partnerships in Scotland established under the Transport (Scotland) Act 2005.

SEStran aims to work towards a more sustainable and efficient transport network. As well as active travel SEStran works with a number of great partners on some great projects like our

Thistle Assistance program which helps less able members of our communities use the public transport network with more confidence. Working together with transport providers we aim to deliver a network that works for everyone.



Thistle Assistance Card



We also help people car share with TripshareSestran.com people getting together to share their journeys; to work, the gym, or travelling down to Glentress! Saving some money, reducing their carbon footprint along the way, and having some fun at the same time!

Our X-Route Project involved co-design work with SEStran, young people and Young Scot. The project provided a valuable opportunity for young people to share their experiences and ideas to influence SEStran's plans for future improvements to the south east of Scotland's cycle network. It has been nominated for The Scottish Government's People's Choice Award, voting is still open... hint! Search #SAQP2017

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