

Appendix 4 - 4.1.3 Forms (Technical Exemption)

Function	Cluster	Description of Contract	Estimated Start date of Contract	Estimated End date of Contract	Total Estimated Contract Value £	Reason for seeking approval under 4.1.3 Technical Exemption:
City Regeneration and Environment	Strategic Place Planning	I Bike Schools - I Bike Schools is a project run in both primary and secondary schools by Sustrans Scotland. The aim of the I Bike Schools project is to encourage children and young people to travel actively during their commute to school and in their free time. The I Bike Schools Officer is employed by Sustrans Scotland and works as an embedded officer within Aberdeen City Council (ACC).	01.07.2025	30.06.2026	£116,000.00	Sustrans Scotland are the only supplier that offers the I Bike Schools project. Market testing revealed that although there are other projects which offer cycle training, they either do not offer as wide an active travel grounding, work as intensively with a school cluster or teach cycle skills and work with children, in the same way that I Bike Schools does. I Bike Schools offers participating pupils a wide variety of different sessions including scooter skills, Bikeability Levels 1, 2 & 3, bike maintenance training, led walks, road safety sessions, active travel breakfasts, smoothie bike, participation in national active travel weeks and many more. Other sustainable travel projects, that work with children, are far more focused around gamification rather than teaching skills. An internet search was carried out, no other organisation that works with schools in this way and offers the aforementioned activities (see section above) is currently available. Sustrans Scotland are the only supplier that offers the I Bike Schools project and delivers a programme of this kind. No other potential provider offers an embedded Officer that works with Local Authorities to deliver the vast range of active travel activities that the I Bike Schools project can offer.