

## **Edinburgh Cycle Hire Scheme**

Within the budget pack, there is a proposal not to proceed to introduce a cycle hire scheme for the city. In 2022/23, a number of interim schemes were supported and the achievements of these schemes were reported to Transport and Environment Committee on 2 February 2023. If the proposal not to proceed with introducing a cycle hire scheme is approved and no provision is made for community initiatives (such as the interim schemes funded in 2022/23) then the positive impacts for people with protected characteristics will no longer be achieved. Further, it is anticipated that a full cycle hire scheme would have supported the Council to achieve its transport and climate targets.

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