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Dear Mr Watson

FREEDOM OF INFORMATION REQUEST – CYCLE AND WALKING GRANTS

Thank you for your information request of 28th March 2019. You requested the following information:

A list of all the grants for cycle and walking infrastructure over the last 5 years for the north of England (Shropshire, Cheshire, Staffordshire, Greater Manchester, Merseyside, Lancashire).

Your request has been considered under the Freedom of Information Act 2000.

I am writing to confirm that the Department for Transport (DfT) has now completed its search for the information.

A copy of the information is enclosed at Annex B of this letter.

In keeping with the spirit and effect of the Freedom of Information Act, all information is assumed to be releasable to the public unless exempt. A copy of this response and the information provided may now be published on the www.gov.uk web-site, together with any related information that will provide a key to its wider context.

If you are unhappy with the way the Department has handled your request or with the decisions made in relation to your request you may complain within two calendar months of the date of this letter by writing to the Department's FOI Advice Team at:

Zone D/04
Ashdown House
Sedlescombe Road North
Hastings
East Sussex TN37 7GA

E-mail: FOI-Advice-Team-DFT@dft.gov.uk

Please send or copy any follow-up correspondence relating to this request to the FOI Advice Team to help ensure that it receives prompt attention. Please also remember to quote the reference number above in any future communications.

Please see attached at Annex A, details of DfT's complaints procedure and your right to complain to the Information Commissioner.

Yours sincerely



Aran Nugent

Annex A - Your right to complain to DfT and the Information Commissioner

You have the right to complain within two calendar months of the date of this letter about the way in which your request for information was handled and/or about the decision not to disclose all or part of the information requested. In addition, a complaint can be made that DfT has not complied with its FOI publication scheme.

Your complaint will be acknowledged and you will be advised of a target date by which to expect a response. Initially your complaint will be re-considered by the official who dealt with your request for information. If, after careful consideration, that official decides that his/her decision was correct, your complaint will automatically be referred to a senior independent official who will conduct a further review. You will be advised of the outcome of your complaint and if a decision is taken to disclose information originally withheld this will be done as soon as possible.

If you are not content with the outcome of the internal review, you have the right to apply directly to the Information Commissioner for a decision. The Information Commissioner can be contacted at:

Information Commissioner's Office
Wycliffe House
Water Lane
Wilmslow
Cheshire
SK9 5AF

Annex B – List of grants for cycling and walking infrastructure

The following grants were allocated specifically for cycling and walking improvements.

Shropshire

Fund	2014/15	2015/16	2016/17	2017/18	2018/19
LSTF	£1,607m	-	-	-	-

Cheshire

Fund	2014/15	2015/16	2016/17	2017/18	2018/19
LSTF	£2.526m	£1.069m	£0.350m	-	-

Staffordshire

Fund	2014/15	2015/16	2016/17	2017/18	2018/19
LSTF	£1.521m	-	-	-	-

Greater Manchester

1) & 2) - Transport for Greater Manchester.

Others - Greater Manchester Combined Authority

Fund	2014/15	2015/16	2016/17	2017/18	2018/19
LSTF	1) £4.938m 2) £32,460m	£5.000m	-	-	-
CCA	-	£3.881m	£9.396m	£8.937m	-
STTY	-	-	£2.500m	-	-
C&WTW	-	-	£1.500m	-	£0.640m
CS	-	-	-	£1.542m	-

Merseyside

1) - Mersey Travel

Others – Liverpool City Council

Fund	2014/15	2015/16	2016/17	2017/18	2018/19
C&WTW	-	-	-	-	1) £0.770m

Lancashire

Fund	2014/15	2015/16	2016/17	2017/18	2018/19
LSTF	£1.596m	-	-	-	-

Key

LSTF - Local Sustainable Transport Fund

CCA - Cycle Cities Ambition Fund

STTY – Sustainable Travel Transitional Year Fund

C&WTW - Cycling & Walking To Walk Fund

CS - Cycle Safety Fund

Cycle Rail Fund

Over the last 5 years, the Cycle Rail Fund was awarded to Train Operating Companies, via our delivery partner, Rail Delivery Group (RDG), for improvements to cycling infrastructure at stations within their regions. Below is a list of funding awarded to Train Operating Companies for improvements to cycling infrastructure in Shropshire, Cheshire, Staffordshire, Greater Manchester, Merseyside and Lancashire.

Train Operation Company	Region	2014/15	2015/16	2016/17	2017/18	2018/19
First Transpennine	North West	-	£0.136m	-	-	-
Merseyrail	North West	-	£0.528m	-	-	-
Norther Rail	North West	-	£0.666m	-	-	-
Virgin Trains	North West	-	£0.765m	-	-	-

Other Government funds that have contributed towards improvements to cycling and walking infrastructure, include:

Transforming Cities Fund

In 2018, the Transforming Cities Fund proposals from authorities included elements of cycling and walking infrastructure improvements. Greater Manchester proposed to spend £160m over 4 years on improving cycling infrastructure on the Beeline cycling network.

<https://www.gov.uk/government/news/pm-announces-ten-cities-shortlisted-for-major-transport-funding-across-england>

Beelines is a cycling and walking network and we expect further cycling and walking content to be developed as part of wider Transforming Cities Funds. Local authorities are still developing their proposals and delivery plans so cycling and walking improvements cannot be separately identified at this stage.

Local Growth Deals

In 2014, 2015 and 2017, the Government announced details of Growth Deals with Local Enterprise Partnerships (LEP) across England.

<https://www.gov.uk/government/collections/local-growth-deals#growth-deals:-rounds-1-and-2>

These Growth Deals included elements of cycling and walking infrastructure improvements.

In 2018, DfT conducted a survey of LEPs to find out about investment of Growth Deal funding on cycling and walking infrastructure improvements. Below is a list of investment from LEPs covering Shropshire, Cheshire, Staffordshire, Greater Manchester, Merseyside and Lancashire.

LEP	Cycling infrastructure (£m)	Walking infrastructure (£m)	Cycling/walking total (£m)
Cheshire and Warrington	£3.440m	£2.960m	£6.400m
Lancashire	£4.550m	£15.450m	£20.000m
Liverpool City Region (Mersey travel)	£38.050m	£46.330m	£84.370
Greater Manchester	£13.420m	£17.110m	£30.530
Stoke-on-Trent and Staffordshire	£2.200m	£4.780m	£6.980
The Marches (Shropshire)	£6.940m	£7.800m	£14.730

