

Essex Pedal Power Basildon Full Terms and Conditions

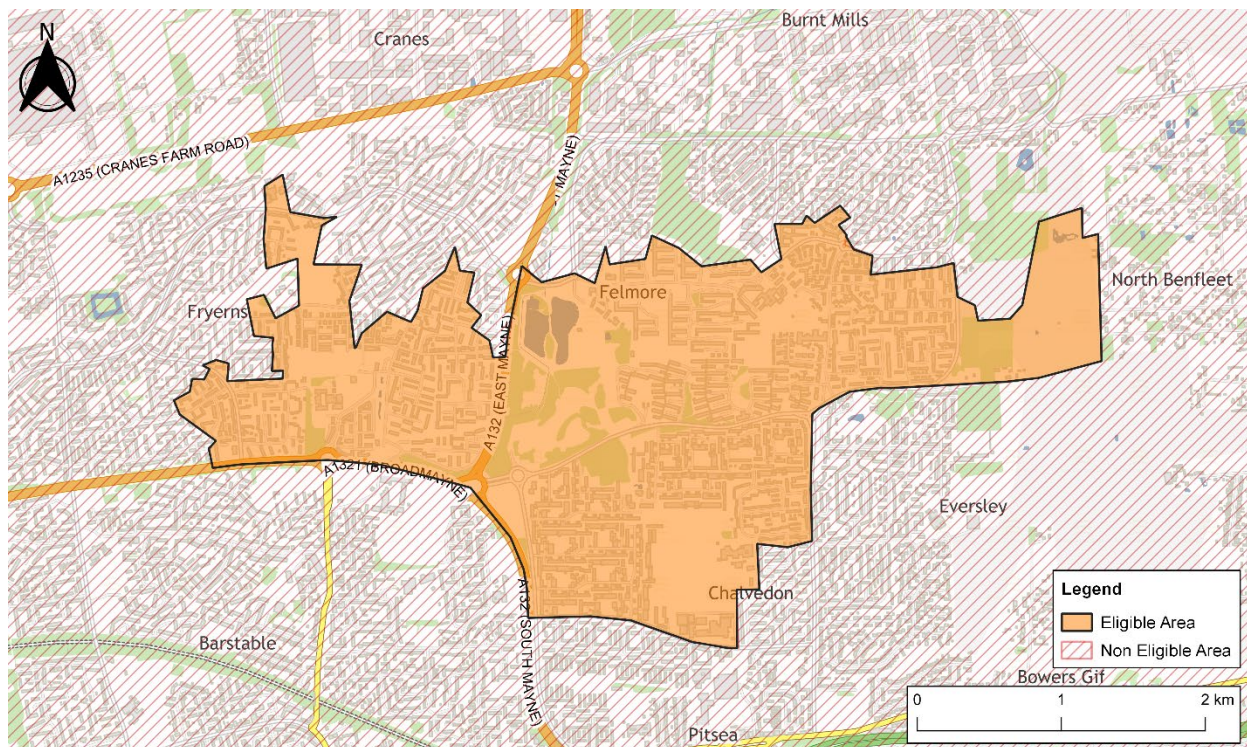
Eligibility Criteria

Primary Criteria. All applicants must meet the following conditions:

- Applicants must be a permanent resident of **Basildon (town), Laindon, Vange or Pitsea.**
- Applicant does NOT currently have access to a working bike.
- Applicant is **aged 16 or over.**
- Applicant commits to riding the bike regularly.

Are you a resident living in Felmores or Fryerns?

Residents living in our priority wards, shown in the map below, are eligible to apply for a bike (providing they meet the primary criteria above).



You can use this postcode checker to determine if your home address falls within the eligible zone above: <https://www.activeessex.org/essex-pedal-power-checker/>

Are you NHS employee at the Basildon & Thurrock University Hospital?

NHS employees are eligible to apply for a bike providing they meet the following conditions and primary criteria above.

- Mid and South Essex NHS Foundation Trust employee
- Employee is based at Basildon & Thurrock University Hospital or is an across site worker
- Pay bands 2 – 4

Have you been referred by a local organisation?

The Essex Pedal Power (EPP) team will be distributing bikes via trusted local organisations. The EPP team will work with the local partners to identify those who will most benefit from a bike, and prioritise applicants accordingly. Local organisation referrals should meet the primary criteria above, but exceptions will be managed on a case by case basis at the discretion of the EPP team.

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- The criteria is not 'first come, first served' and the EPP team have discretion on who receives bikes, and when they receive bikes.
 - Priority may be given due to the reason for applying for a bike (e.g. cycle to employment/ voluntary work, referred by partner organisation).
- Applicants must be a permanent resident of Basildon (town), Laindon, Vange or Pitsea.
 - In cases where the applicant has been referred by an EPP partner and lives in other regions within Basildon Borough, the applicant may be deemed eligible at the discretion of the EPP team.
 - No applicant who resides outside Basildon Borough will be eligible.
 - Bikes will not be given to temporary residents, e.g. seasonal workers, university students.
- Applicant does not currently own or have access to a working bike.
- Applicant is aged 16 or over.
 - In cases where the applicant is referred by an EPP partner and under the age of 16, they may be deemed eligible at the discretion of the EPP team.
- Applicant commits to riding the bike regularly (e.g. average of at least once per week or within one's means).
 - If the bike has not been ridden for some time, the EPP team will support the recipient to overcome barriers to cycling. The team will be mindful that bikes may be used less during the winter.
 - Bikes should be returned to EPP if they are no longer used or needed.
- Maximum of 2 adult bikes per household.
 - In cases where the applicant lives in a HMO, this restriction will not apply.
- The applicant is willing to sign an agreement to loan the bike for the first 6 months (with conditions in the agreement) and to take ownership of the bike after 6 months (with conditions in the agreement).

Childrens Bikes

We do have a very limited number of bikes available to children (under 16), that would be distributed when considerable need is identified by a local partner. As with adult bikes, the decision to allocate a child bike is at the discretion of the EPP team. Children and their parents/guardians/carers must be residents of Basildon (town), Laindon, Vange or Pitsea.

Childrens bikes will be loaned for as long as the bike is needed and fits the child. Typically children grow out of a bike within 14 months. Once the bike no longer fits the child, it is to be returned to Essex Pedal Power Basildon, and where possible, the next size up bike will then be offered to the participant on loan for as long as fits.

'Learn to Ride' and 'Cycle Confidence' training will also be offered to all children receiving a bike (with parental consent). Children should be willing to attend cycle training if unable to ride a bike or if they have not completed Bikeability level 1 & 2. If they are in school year 5 and up they will be encouraged to do level 1 & 2 Bikeability training through their school. If the child is in school year 4 or below, they need to be able to ride the bike without stabilisers.

All childrens bikes come with the following accessories free of charge: helmet, lock, pump, hi-vis jacket. Parental/ guardian/ carer consent must be given for the child's bike to be fitted with a cyclometer. This is to monitor bike usage, cyclometers do not collect live data.

The child's safety when using the bike will be the responsibility of their parents/carers/guardians. The EPP Basildon team will offer basic bike maintenance training and support to parents/ guardians/ carers. Basic bike maintenance includes knowing how to inflate tyres to the correct pressure, fixing a puncture, adjusting brake and gear cables and repairing a broken chain.