

Title of Report:	PILOT BIKE COLLECTION SCHEME – SCHOOL BIKES AFRICA
Committee Report Submitted To:	ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES COMMITTEE
Date of Meeting:	9TH FEBRUARY 2021
For Decision or For Information	FOR DECISION

Linkage to Council Strategy (2019-23)	
Strategic Theme	Protecting and enhancing or environment and assets
Outcome	
Lead Officer	Head of Operations

Budgetary Considerations	
Cost of Proposal	N/A
Included in Current Year Estimates	N/A
Capital/Revenue	N/A
Code	N/A
Staffing Costs	N/A

Screening Requirements	Required for new or revised Policies, Plans, Strategies or Service Delivery Proposals.		
Section 75 Screening	Screening Completed:	N/A	Date:
	EQIA Required and Completed:	N/A	Date:
Rural Needs Assessment (RNA)	Screening Completed	N/A	Date:
	RNA Required and Completed:	N/A	Date:
Data Protection Impact Assessment (DPIA)	Screening Completed:	N/A	Date:
	DPIA Required and Completed:	N/A	Date:

1.0 Purpose of Report

- 1.1 The purpose of this report is to advise Members of a pilot scheme in partnership with the Rotary Club of Limavady to collect, repair and distribute unwanted bikes to school children in the Gambia. This is part of a wider initiative called 'School Bikes Africa' organised by Rotary International.

2.0 Background

- 2.1 An approach has been received from the Rotary Club of Limavady to allow a container to be placed at a local household recycling centre to enable unwanted bikes to be collected. The container would be supplied by Rotary International.
- 2.2 The unwanted bikes are sent to the Gambia to be used by school children. Many children often have to walk a long distance to school. Having a bike to cycle to school, rather than walk, means children tend to be more attentive in class.
- 2.3 In Africa the advantage of bike ownership can enhance family life significantly and improve lives through access to education, work and essential services.
- 2.4 Unwanted bikes in need of repair are taken to a local prison (HMP Magilligan) to be refurbished. Individuals develop technical skills to refurbish bikes and their personal contribution is a means to improved motivation and rehabilitation.

3.0 Information

- 3.1 Limavady Household Recycling Centre has been earmarked for the pilot scheme. Sufficient space is available at this facility to place a container.
- 3.2 A review of the scheme to take place on a quarterly basis. The scheme is at no cost to council.

4.0 Recommendation

It is recommended that permission be given to Rotary International to place a container at Limavady Household Recycling for the collection of unwanted bikes.