



THE ASSOCIATION OF BIKEABILITY SCHEMES

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TABS MEMBERS UPDATE – APRIL 2013

1. REMINDER – membership renewals for 2013

If you've not yet renewed your membership for this year, we encourage you to do so. Background information plus the forms can be downloaded from the [TABS membership page](#). If you've any queries, or would like the forms sending out via email again contact: info@tabs-uk.org.uk

2. Conference update – Carrs Lane Church Centre, Birmingham. Thursday 16th May 2013 (9.30am – 4.30pm)

The morning will start with a series of **updates** about where Bikeability stands and what the future might hold, assuring the quality of Bikeability, the Quality Assurance process, and the Board Elections. The rest of the morning will be dedicated to **Workshop sessions** covering topics such as Level 3 delivery, Professional Development, the QA process, and Best practice. After lunch, and the chance to **network with TABS directors**, the afternoon will continue with more **workshops, updates** on member contributions, and a **question /answer session** over tea.

You should have received a conference registration form by email or it is available for download on the [TABS EVENT](#) page.

Please complete and return this form promptly to guarantee your space(s) at the conference.

3. Input requested from members for Quality Assurance meeting on 9th April

TABS will be meeting the Department for Transport's agents Steer Davies Gleave on 9th April to discuss the QA process. TABS is currently putting together an outline of a **training module for the QA team** and for new quality assurers which will ensure all members of the QA panel have a good grasp of the spirit and outcomes of the National Standard for cycle training, the module will help all the assurers deepen their understanding of how risk is managed during a training session. The module will also explore methods of structuring and standardising feedback both to scheme managers at the end of sessions as well as for writing reports. TABS would like to involve Coachwise assurers in the development of this module especially in the area of 'teaching and learning'.

If your scheme has been assured and you have any thoughts about what could improve the QA system for TABS members and should be included in the training module please email david@tabs-uk.org.uk

4. Request for photos for TABS gallery/marketing purposes

We are on the hunt for good quality photos that we can use for marketing purposes including most immediately the website and conference materials. The photos will need to demonstrate best practice cycle training, and not include any obvious logos/branding for any specific scheme. TABS will give acknowledgements where required if used. If you have any photos that you'd be happy to share please contact: isobel@tabs-uk.org.uk

5. Cycle Training on the National Schools Curriculum

The Department for Education is currently [consulting](#) on a reform of the National Schools Curriculum. TABS will be working on pushing for cycle training to be included in the schools curriculum as will other cycling organisations such as British Cycling and CTC. We are currently putting together a template submission and will be inviting members to add their voice. Watch this space!

6. Elections update

The Electoral Society is currently finalising the nomination form, and it will be circulated via email shortly. Each registered Bikeability scheme who is a TABS member can put forward **one candidate** for election. Each person wishing to stand must provide:

- A photo
- An overview of their experience and skills within Bikeability
- A vision statement looking at the future of TABS and Bikeability

The key dates in the timetable for the Elections are as follows:

- Despatch of nomination forms – 8th April
- Close of nominations – **Monday 29th April**
- Despatch of voting emails – 13th May
- Close of voting – 3rd June
- **Results of election – 5th June, 2013**