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Dear

Freedom of Information Act 2000 (FOIA) Request ID: REQ07424

Thank you for your request for information on the Active Travelling Fund.

Your request and our responses are outlined below:

1. Can you please confirm whether the Council has applied for (or is planning to apply for) any Government funding relating to active and sustainable travel (e.g. walking and cycling)?

The Council has applied for, and plans to continue applying for, Government funding from a variety of sources to implement schemes and initiatives relating to active and sustainable travel. These sources include the Emergency Active Travel Fund, Transforming Cities Fund, and Air Quality Implementation Fund. Some funding is secured direct from Central Government departments, other funding is channelled via the West Midlands Combined Authority, of which the City Council is a constituent authority.

2. If so, can you please confirm whether you have been successful in accessing funds and how much has been awarded?

Yes, the Council has been successful in securing funds, including the recent award of around £478,000 from the Emergency Active Travel Fund, £5 million from the Transforming Cities Fund for the Binley Cycle Route, and around £4 million from the AQ Implementation Fund for the Coundon Cycle Route and other engagement activities.

3. Please confirm if the council has any plans in place on how to use this funding?

Yes, as the funding would not have been secured without such plans being in place. The funding is being used to construct two segregated cycle routes linking the city centre to

Coundon and to Binley, to fund sustainable and active travel initiatives to encourage people to walk and cycle more, and on a series of other smaller cycle schemes across the city.

## 4. Please confirm the individual and department (name and job title) responsible and how we can potentially contact them to discuss further?

John Seddon, Head of Transport and Innovation, email: john.seddon@coventry.gov.uk.

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Yours faithfully

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