

CASE STUDY

Supporting NHS net zero – enabling staff to cycle to work at Central Health Clinic Bristol

Utilising the NHS Shared Business Services (NHS SBS) Sustainable Transport and Infrastructure Framework Agreement, the clinic installed three Bikehangers from Cyclehoop, with 18 secure cycle parking spaces. Based on two 5.8km trips per space, 150 days a year (2/3 of workdays after annual leave and bank holidays), versus the same travel in a medium size petrol car, each Bikehanger saves on 3600kg of CO2 emissions.



“Cyclehoop have been very supportive and helpful when we’ve hit a few problems. When we had the attempted break-ins, they were really quick to respond and get someone here to fix them”

Vicki Staatz

Clinical information systems manager
Central Health Clinic

THE CHALLENGE

Like many NHS sites, Central Health Clinic faced the problem of inadequate cycle parking.

High quality cycle parking is a key resource for NHS sites to help reduce car parking pressures and meet sustainability targets. Cyclehoop worked with Central Health Clinic in Bristol to install three Bikehangars, enabling staff to commute by bike.

Bikes were previously stored in an outdoor cage with vertical racking that proved difficult and unsafe for users.

The facilities team explored several options which were deemed either too expensive or impractical for the space available. With six secure weatherproof cycle parking spaces, and no requirement for additional groundwork or assembly, the Bikehangar was the perfect solution.

As many staff at the clinic work on rotation or between multiple sites, the turnover of users is high. This makes administering physical keys impractical. Instead, the Bikehangars were fitted with the Airkey digital access system, allowing both fob and smartphone access. Staff can operate any of the three Bikehangars with the same device, giving them access to 18 secure spaces in total.

- 3 Bikehangars
- 18 Secure cycle parking spaces
- Digital access control



THE RESULT

Equipping staff with the facilities to cycle is an effective way to encourage active travel to improve wellbeing, contribute to net zero goals and reduce car dependency for staff in a city centre location that falls within the city's clean air zone.

Procurement can be a lengthy and expensive process, however accessing Cyclehoop via the Sustainable Transport and Infrastructure Framework Agreement, meant the clinic could purchase the Bikehangar solution quickly and efficiently via a pre-vetted supplier. The framework agreement allows NHS and wider public sector organisations to bypass the standard procurement and tendering process and procure cost-effective solutions.



To find out more about Cyclehoop, contact: info@cyclehoop.com, to learn about NHS SBS' framework agreement, contact sbs.hello@nhs.net

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Cyclehoop are delighted to make cycling a practical and convenient option for staff at Bristol Central Health Clinic. For advice on guidance on cycle parking for your site, please contact us.