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All 32 Scottish Local Authorities were invited by the Scottish Government and Confederation of Scottish Local Authorities to bid for funding from the Smarter Choices Smarter Places Fund. This initiative intends to deliver improved sustainable travel options across pilot areas in Scotland.

A project entitled Dundee Health Central based around the Central Dundee Housing Investment Focus Area and part of the West End area was developed in partnership with key stakeholders (including NHS Tayside, local bus operators, Sustrans, Tactran, Dundee Sun City, DCC Education Department, DCC Environmental and Consumer Protection Department, Dundee Discovery Card and the University of Dundee). The key aims include reduced dependence on the private motor car, increased walking and cycling (active travel), improved confidence in using public transport and raised awareness of sustainable travel.

The Scottish Government announced on 13th August, 2008 that the City of Dundee was successful in its submitted bid and that funding will be awarded during FY 2008/2009, 2009/2010 and 2010/2011 totalling £1,424,000 towards a total project valued at £2,164,000.

The bid document can be viewed at www.dundee.gov.uk/a2Z/scsp/.