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A cycling instructor from Peterborough who has helped dozens of youngsters to boost their biking skills has won a prestigious award.

Chris Lee triumphed in the recent Bikeability awards, winning the group's Instructor of the Year accolade.

Last year Peterborough City Council was awarded a grant from the Department for Transport to deliver cycle training to school children in the city.

Outspoken Training have provided the training on the council's behalf and Chris was awarded the prize at the 2019 Bikeability Conference held on May 15 in Hereford.

Chris has been delivering cycle training for nearly five years and although most of his sessions are based in Peterborough, he also travels far and wide, providing sessions in Cambridgeshire, Bedfordshire, Lincolnshire, Northamptonshire, Oxfordshire and Suffolk.



His achievements include:

- > Delivering balance training to cerebral palsy students at two schools, enabling them to achieve the outcomes.
- > Mentoring ten new instructors to help them develop and progress towards becoming talented qualified National Standard Instructors.
- > Acting as a positive role model by cycling to training venues including from Peterborough to Cambridge and back to provide cycle maintenance training twice a month.
- > Looking after an instructor who fainted in a staffroom during the later stages of pregnancy.

Chris said: "It was great to be recognised for just doing my job. I am very lucky to do a job which I have a real passion for and see as a hobby. The real award is being able to pass on some knowledge and enthusiasm to future generations of cyclists."

Councillor Steve Allen, Peterborough City Council's cabinet member for recreation, said: "We are delighted for Chris who is a truly worthy recipient of this award. His training sessions are invaluable for young people, helping them to gain confidence and enjoy the benefits of cycling - which is something that we as a council, are keen to promote."