

Location: Perth, Perth and Kinross
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Perth Pathways Public Art Project

with SUSTRANS



civic were appointed to deliver a widespread programme of community led public art workshops in schools, community centres and youth clubs - engaging with over 400 residents on the briefing and development of a set of 4 artwork proposals.

A steering group of Council officers and residents chose to develop a sculptural bike park in a prominent location in the city (on Glasgow Road and adjacent to the Leisure Pool). This was installed in the summer of 2011.

The artwork comprises a series of stainless steel seat posts and wheels (bike racks) that are installed to resemble the 'echelon' at the head of a group of moving bicycles. Some of the wheels are angled out of the ground to mimic over-taking cycles, whilst some of them remain balanced in the vertical plane.

A set of oversized seats (modelled on an oversized traditional leather bicycle saddle) provide places to sit and wait for friends - one of the many ideas contributed by local schoolchildren that were involved in the design stages of the project.