

# Making idea's Happen

Case study: Sam Harris



# Why go to basecamp?

- Advice
- Mentoring
- Workshops
- Funding
- Office Space
- Food

# Summer Entrepreneurships

- Submit a 3 page business plan → win £1500 to work on your own business idea over ~6 weeks in the summer.
- Everyone seems to be getting internships.
- No plans created... why not?

# First Business Plan

- Huge idea
- Game changing technology to save the world and become a millionaire
- Shared idea with close friends and family
- No real idea how on earth I could implement this idea as a student
- Fail #1

# Idea #2

- Solar panel everything
- Roof tiles to Hot tub covers
- Sun shades to mobile phone cases
- Still unsure about the technology. At the time still rather expensive.
- My main market was Mediterranean...
- Fail #2

# **Business Plan 3**

- BRISTOL Pedicabs
- A rickshaw company to take passenger around town in environmental cycle taxi's
- Workers get money from trade. I make money from advertising
- Works in other locations → research and feedback proved it was an idea that I could practically set up whilst being at university. Put the plan into the award... and WON!







Sustainable Transport -Sustainable Prices - Sustainable Jobs







# BIKE KNOWLEDGE TO BEARD RATIO





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Cargo Delivery

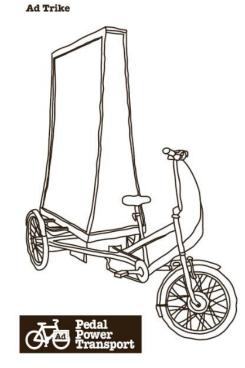
Pedi-Cab





**Recycle Delivery** 









### Traditional Transport Problems



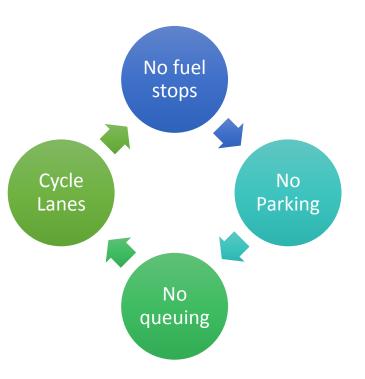








Bikes



# Financial Reasons. Bike vs Van

Costs		Cargo Bike (8freight)	Van (VW 1.6 d)
Set Up Costs	Purchase Cost	£2,200	£3,050 pa
Running Costs	Annual Maintenance	£170	Included in hire
	Fuel	Zero	£1,214
	Vehicle Excise Duty	Zero	£165 pa
Insurance Costs	Vehicle	£120 pa	£500 pa
	Goods in transit	£150	£150
	Hourly pay	£7.50	Self employed
Delivery Charge (2 miles)	1x A4 Box	£4 (£4.80 + VAT)	£8 (£9.60 + VAT)
	3 x A4 box	£6 (£7.20 + VAT)	£8 (£9.60 + VAT)
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# Private Hire:

- Fun
- Easy
- Profitable
- Added USP



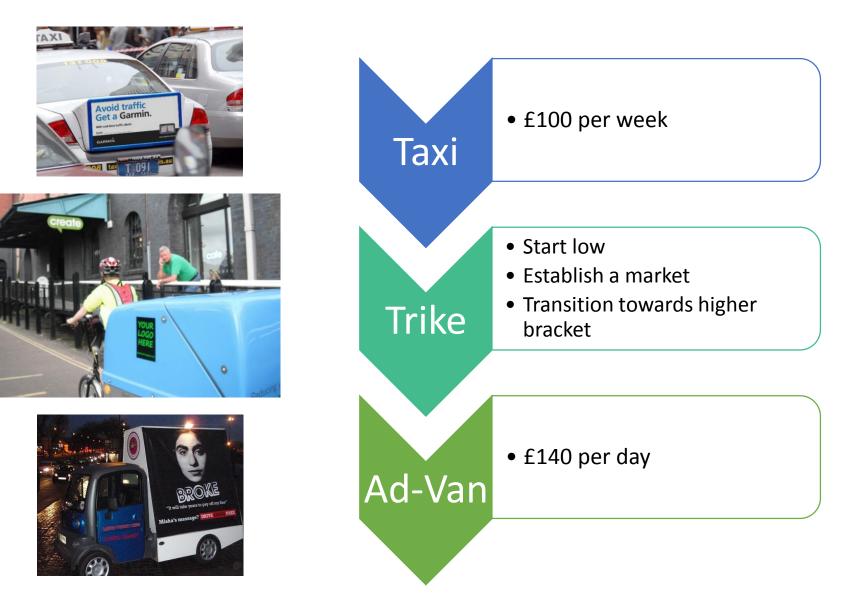








### Mobile Advertising



# Future Plan's

#### Last Mile Distribution

#### NHS contracts









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# NEC competition – share of £35,000!

- Round 1 = Submit a summary business plan
- Round 2 = Full 20 page business plan and pitch to panel of judges.
- Experience of putting business idea's together alongside judges feedback was invaluable. Also the £7,000 was useful
- Pedal power increased deliveries in year 2 by 500%!

