

NORTH CAMP REGENERATION

Shop Front Improvement Grants

WHAT'S IT ALL ABOUT?

Rushmoor Borough Council is committed to regenerating North Camp and making it more attractive so that we can draw in even more shops, businesses and customers.

To do this we are offering grants of up to £1000 to fund improvements to the frontages of shops and businesses in North Camp for everybody's benefit.

The grant scheme is discretionary and will be available for a limited time to promote and encourage the repair and maintenance of North Camp's commercial area.

IS YOUR PROPERTY ELIGIBLE?

All commercial properties in North Camp are eligible. To be considered, the property would need to make a visual contribution to the street scene.

We will give priority to those that are traditional and will consider applications in the following order:

Area 1

Camp Road, Lynchford Road, Queen's Road (from Camp Road to Alexandra Road) Alexandra Road.

Area 2

The rest of North Camp

If the scheme is oversubscribed, we will allocate grants in order of priority until the money runs out.

WHAT WORK IS ELIGIBLE?

We will give priority to the repair and maintenance of existing traditional features, although replacement in a traditional style may be appropriate.

This includes: painting, traditional signs, doors, windows and other work to improve the external appearance of the street frontage of the premises. The grants are aimed mostly at minor works and we are unlikely to consider major shop front refurbishment works favourably.

MAXIMUM GRANT

We will consider contributing up to 25% of the cost of improvement work, to a maximum of £1000 per property. Only limited funds are available for this scheme.

If we award you a grant, it does not carry with it any planning or building consent. You must obtain these separately from the Council, if required.

DEADLINES FOR APPLICATIONS

We will consider applications within six weeks of receiving them and will tell you our decision as soon as possible after this. The closing date for applications is **1st February 2009**.

SUBMISSION OF APPLICATIONS

Completed forms should be returned with a photograph showing the current state of the frontage and a written estimate of costs from the supplier/contractor to:

**Debbie Whitcombe,
Regeneration Officer**

Community Services, Rushmoor Borough Council
Council Offices, Farnborough Road
Farnborough, Hants. GU14 7JU

Tel: 01252 398 793

Email: debbie.whitcombe@rushmoor.gov.uk

SHOP FRONT Application Form

Name of applicant

Expected date of work to start

Name and address of premises

Expected date of work to finish

Tel No.

Email

Brief description of proposed work & estimated costs

I agree to the following conditions:

- *The premises must display its street number prominently*
- *Applicants must continue to keep their properties well maintained.*
- *Those receiving grants must acknowledge Rushmoor Borough Council in any publicity about the improvements and agree to the name of their shop/business being used in any Council publicity.*
- *The applicant must apply separately for any building or planning consents from the Council, if required.*
- *The Council will only pay the grant once the work has been carried out to its satisfaction and with proof of expenditure.*
- *Work must be completed within six months of the date of the grant letter or the Council will withdraw the grant offer.*

Signed

Date

PLEASE MAKE SURE YOU HAVE INCLUDED A CURRENT PHOTOGRAPH OF THE SHOP OR BUSINESS FRONT AND A WRITTEN ESTIMATE FROM YOUR SUPPLIER/ CONTRACTOR WITH YOUR APPLICATION.