

TOWN CENTRE FLOOD RESILIENCE GRANT

GUIDANCE NOTE

To request an application form
please send an email with your **business name** and **full trading address** to;

✉ regeneration@rctcbc.gov.uk



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Purpose of the Fund

In February 2020, Storm Dennis brought unprecedented levels of rainfall which saw the three rivers in Rhondda Cynon Taf reaching their highest recorded levels. Subsequently a significant number of businesses were severely impacted by the flooding that followed.

The Flood Resilience Grant will provide support for businesses to implement measures to their properties, which will improve business resilience in dealing with any such potential weather events in the future.

Who can apply?

Small and Medium size businesses based in the retail areas of the following Town Centres - Aberdare; Ferndale; Llantrisant; Mountain Ash; Pontypridd; Porth; Tonypany and Treorchy.

Priority will be given to businesses that can evidence they were affected by flooding during Storm Dennis.

What Can It Fund?

Examples of the type of works the grant could support include;

- Internal Doors
- Floodgates to doorways
- Upvc floor coverings and skirting
- Internal moisture resistant wall boarding
- Raising of power points

If you do not own the property, you will need to provide written consent from the Landlord to undertake the works.

How much can I apply for?

The Fund can contribute a maximum of 75% towards eligible project costs up to maximum grant of £7,500. If you are registered for VAT you can apply for the cost of non-recoverable VAT only.

How do I apply?

You will need to submit a fully completed application form with all the required supporting information specified in the form.

Please note that given the current situation, your application and supporting information will need to be submitted via email as we are unable to accept any paper copies.

How will my application be processed?

Your application will be subject to an initial validation check to ensure you have submitted all the correct information.

If your application cannot be validated, it will be returned to you explaining why it cannot be progressed at the current time. You are then welcome to re-submit your application when you are able to provide all the necessary information.

If your application is validated, it will be assessed and you will be notified of the outcome.

If successful you will receive a letter with the detail of the grant and its terms and conditions. If you wish to accept the grant you will need to sign and return the terms and conditions.

There is no guarantee that all applications will be successful.

How will the grant be paid?

Payment will usually only be made at the end of your project on submission of the following;

- Invoices
- bank statements to evidence payments made to the supplier/contractor
- public liability insurance
- confirmation of any statutory consents e.g planning permission / building regulations (if applicable)
- photographic evidence of equipment purchased / works undertaken

Payment will usually only be made on the lowest cost, be that the original quotation price or the final invoice price.