

# Project A-Void – Camborne Town Streetscape Improvement

## Description of Scheme

Consistent with the emerging BID vision for the town, the project will deliver a major transformation to the Camborne streetscape, with a focus on small local independent shops and businesses.

This will be achieved through the delivery of 66 largely capital grants to business premises owners and/or occupiers to create capital physical improvements to business premises within the Towns Fund Boundary area in Camborne. The scheme will utilise existing permitted development rights, where possible and priority will be given to the improvement and in some cases re-purposing of empty shops and unoccupied business premises to increase occupancy levels and reduce voids.

The project will be delivered by BID Camborne, which will administer the scheme, over its lifetime from receipt of Accelerator Funds on October 1st, 2020, ensuring monies are disbursed in line with the stated objectives of this scheme and criteria of HM Government, by 31st March 2021.

### This urban regeneration project will:

- Produce an enhanced townscape that is more attractive and more accessible to residents, businesses and visitors
- Increase footfall in the town centre, increasing the vitality of the town and the robustness of town centre businesses
- Reduce the numbers of empty shops and businesses within the town centre
- Improve energy efficiency in town centre businesses
- Assist the desired change to the creation of a more sustainable mixed-use town centre in this post COVID-19 environment.

### Grants will deliver significant physical improvements to business premises, both internally and externally, including:

- Creation of new shopfronts, potentially involving the replacement of windows and doors
- Changes to improve disability access
- Re-fitting of the internal space
- New signage
- Minor works that will facilitate the change of use of the premises to provide a more sustainable future for the building, including to residential where appropriate
- Painting, decorating and glazing to improve the external appearance of properties
- Measures to improve energy efficiency
- Measures to improve security



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## Funding Award Criteria

Minimum Grant:	£300
Maximum Grant:	£5,000
Maximum total project cost:	£10,000
Maximum Intervention Rate:	100%
Target average grant size:	£3,000
Target number of grants to be distributed:	66

In some cases, the intervention rate will be 100%, but match funding will be sought where possible, with decisions taken by the Project A-Void Panel who will operate with the Camborne Town Deal Board as its parent.

Submissions will be collated by the BID, which will undertake the eligibility checks and produce a summary report of recommendations for the Project A-Void Panel to consider. This will highlight any potential conflicts of interest that may need to be noted or require the withdrawal of any panel member from a vote.

## GDPR

Information provided by applicants will be stored securely by BID Camborne and only shared, within a controlled circulation group, for purposes of processing applications and evidencing progress to the Camborne Town Deal Board and HM Government. It is not possible to opt-out from this data handling or processing, and organisations submit their applications in awareness of this criterion.

Email addresses will also be added to the BID Camborne email newsletter database, which details business news and opportunities on an approximately fortnightly basis. Please indicate on your application, if you do not wish to consent to this use of your contact details.

BID Camborne may use your contact details to ask for your permission to participate in publicity around the success of the scheme. Before and after photos are a mandatory requirement for all successful grant applications.

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