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Application Form





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### Application Form



Please read the attached terms, conditions and advisory notes prior to completion of Application Form  
[www.sdcc.ie/business/enterprise/business-support/shop-front-grant](http://www.sdcc.ie/business/enterprise/business-support/shop-front-grant)

#### 1. APPLICANT DETAILS

Reference Number: (OFFICE USE ONLY)

Name of Applicant:

Property Address (*property subject of grant application*):

Business Name currently operating from the premises:

Contact name for this application:

Contact Address:

Contact Telephone Number:

Contact Mobile Number:

Contact Email Address:

Type of Business:

Estimated Start Date:

Estimated Completion Date:

## 1. APPLICANT DETAILS (continued)

What is your interest in the property

Owner ☐ Tenant ☐

If Tenant, please confirm you have received the owner's permission to carry out works

Yes ☐ No ☐

Have you checked if the proposed works will require planning permission contact: [planningdept@sdublincoco.ie](mailto:planningdept@sdublincoco.ie)

Yes ☐ No ☐

Is the premises a Protected Structure?

Yes ☐ No ☐

Customer Rate No:

(Rates to be paid in full or a Rates payment plan/ agreement in place)

## 2. TYPE OF GRANT: A Grants Available for Individual Units

(Please select the option(s) for works intended and describe your proposed changes)

Code	Description	Max Grant (50% of cost, up to max. amount listed below)	Estimated cost of works	Grant Amount Sought (50% of cost, up to max. grant)	Detailed description of works to be carried out	Proposed Start Date
A1	Paint shopfront in carefully selected colours which will complement the host building and streetscape	€2,000.00				
A2	Replace existing shopfront with traditional painted wooden shopfront OR contemporary design using a range of approved materials	€4,000.00				

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<b>A3</b>	Replace signage with traditional wooden fascia with wooden/hand painted lettering OR contemporary design using a range of approved materials	<b>€1,500.00</b>				
<b>A4</b>	Careful illumination of worthwhile architectural features of significant buildings	<b>€1,000.00</b>				
<b>A5</b>	Canopies/Awnings complementary to the materials of the shopfront and building	<b>€1,500.00</b>				
<b>A6</b>	Green enhancement of entrances/terraces with planting	<b>€500.00</b>				
<b>A7</b>	Accessibility to shop eg. ramp, automated door	<b>€1,000.00</b>				

## 2. TYPE OF GRANT: B Grants Available for a Parade of Shops

(Please select the option(s) for works intended and describe your proposed changes)

Code	Description	Max Grant (50% of cost, up to max. amount listed below)	Estimated cost of works	Grant Amount Sought (50% of cost, up to max. grant)	Detailed description of works to be carried out	Proposed Start Date
B1	Painting of parade of shops in carefully selected colours which will complement the host building and streetscape	€800.00 per shop				
B2	Boundary treatment (cut stone wall and tree planting) within car-park curtilage:  Road frontage up to 12 M long.	€2,000.00				
B3	Boundary treatment (cut stone wall and tree planting) within car-park curtilage:  Road frontage over 15 M long.	€4,000.00				

**Please Note: A photo of your shopfront must be submitted with your application & the detailed description box above must be completed.**

The Council reserves the right to publish photographs of improved shopfronts in promotional material associated with the scheme and its purpose.

**Where did you hear about the Shopfront Grant Scheme?** *(Tick the box)*

Flyer ☐ Trade body/organisation ☐ Website ☐ Social Media ☐ Newspaper Advert ☐ Word of mouth ☐  
Other *(please specify)*

**DECLARATION**

I declare that I have read, fully understand and agree with the terms and conditions of the Scheme.

I confirm that, where required, I have applied for all relevant consents or permission, statutory or otherwise.

I am not in arrears as to any payment of rates or charges to South Dublin County Council.

By signing this declaration you agree to receive correspondence relating to South Dublin County Tourism events via electronic means.

Signed:

Date:

**Checklist**

In order to be considered for the grant, please include the following documents with this application form:

- ☐ copy of relevant plans, designs and/or sketches for proposed works
- ☐ colour photographs of premises
- ☐ Information (correspondence, consents) clarifying the planning status of your proposals
- ☐ current tax clearance certificate

County Promotion Unit, South Dublin County Council, Tallaght, Dublin 24  
email [econdev@sdublincoco.ie](mailto:econdev@sdublincoco.ie) call 01 414 9000 ext: 4631

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## Terms and Conditions

**Please read this guide before completing the grant application form**

### **Who can apply?**

Business owners/operators of independently owned shops which front onto public streets are eligible to apply. Chain Store exemptions may apply.

Operators must submit proof of owner's consent before doing works.

### **Can I discuss my application with someone?**

Yes. Please contact The County Promotion Unit on 01 414 9000 ext: 4631 or email [econdev@sdublincoco.ie](mailto:econdev@sdublincoco.ie). Proposed works and specifications can be discussed prior to the commencement of work.

### **Do I need to ask the owner if don't own the property?**

Yes. Permission must be sought from the owner and stated on the application form.

### **Do I need planning permission?**

The majority of the actions allowed under the scheme may not need planning permission however you should consult the Council's Planning Department to clarify [planning.dept@sdublincoco.ie](mailto:planning.dept@sdublincoco.ie). Applicants may make an application for the grant in advance of obtaining planning permission (if required) and where successful will receive a 'Letter of Recommendation' in principle. However, where permission is required, approved works cannot start until a final grant of planning permission is received. For more information on making a planning application visit [www.sdcc.ie/services/planning](http://www.sdcc.ie/services/planning)

### **What costs will the grant cover?**

The grant will only be paid for works approved in the 'Letter of Approval' from the Council. There is no obligation upon the Council to increase the grant if additional work is undertaken outside the terms of the original grant approved and assistance cannot be given in retrospect to costs incurred prior to the scheme. The grant in any case shall not exceed 50% of the overall cost, and is subject to the maximum grants stated in the scheme.

### **When do I get paid?**

The grant will be payable after completion and final inspection by a relevant Council official and when all documentation has been received and when terms and conditions are complied with.

### **Are there other financial terms to comply with before I get paid?**

Costs must be verified by the submission of receipts/invoice prior to the payment of the grant. The applicant must either have paid rates in full or be in compliance with a payment plan/agreement regarding rates.

### **What happens if the fund is oversubscribed?**

In the event of the number of applications exceeding the value of the overall fund, preference will be given to proposals that in the Council's view most improve the visual appearance of the village setting.

### **Assessment**

Applications will be assessed by the County Promotion Unit with consideration being given to proposed design, materials and overall visual impact.

### **AWARD – BEST DESIGNED SHOP FRONT**

Following completion of shop front improvement works by applicants under this scheme, the assessment panel will select the shopfront that is the best exemplar of shopfront design under the scheme and an award of €1,000 will be made to the winning design that has been carried out. The Council reserves the right to publish photographs of improved shopfronts in promotional material associated with the scheme and its purpose.

**Queries should be sent to: [econdev@sdublincoco.ie](mailto:econdev@sdublincoco.ie)**



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### Best Designed Shopfront Winners

