

**(FORM A: INTERNAL BIDS)**

**BIDS FOR FUNDING FROM AREA COMMITTEES  
CAPITAL (AND REVENUE) PRO FORM A**

**Short Project Title:** West Craven Town Centre Premises Improvement Grants

**Bid submitted by:** Housing, Health and Economic Development

**On behalf of (please include contact details):** Housing, Health and Economic Development, Elliot House, 9 Market Square, Nelson

**Amount requested:** £13,000 West Craven  
Barnoldswick – £10,000  
Earby – £3,000

**Brief details of Project:** Premises improvement grants are promoted, targeted and administered by Economic Development staff. The Regeneration Officer supports the applicants throughout the application process. All retail premises within the defined town centre boundary and gateway areas are eligible for a 50 per cent grant at a maximum of £1,500 for improvements to their premises. The main aim of the premises improvement grants scheme is to improve the overall look of the town.

Barnoldswick: The 2015/16 budget of £5,000 (plus a further £5,000 from Barnoldswick Town Council) has been almost fully allocated, supporting 10 businesses

Earby: The 2015/16 budget of £4,500 has supported three businesses, with approximately £2,000 unallocated funding.

A full report outlining the outcomes will be submitted in /June.

**Main Outcomes to be Achieved:** To improve the appearance of the town centre by assisting the private sector to improve premises and encourage the use of vacant properties. The grants scheme is a tool used to encourage private investment in town centre buildings; the outcome of this investment is an aesthetic improvement to the town centre and in turn increases retail and public confidence in the area. The grants can encourage the use of vacant buildings as they can reduce the overall cost of changing the exterior of the building to suit the needs of the incoming business

**When will Project be implemented?** From budget approval to 31 March 2017

**Who will undertake the Project works?** Private contractors appointed by individual applicants, which can be either the owner or tenant of the premises. Applicants must provide three quotations to demonstrate value for money before the grant is approved

**Is the bid for capital or revenue funding?** Capital

**Is there match funding for the Project from elsewhere?** Yes

**If so, please give details:** The grants scheme is based on 50 per cent (maximum of £1,500) funding from PBC and 50 per cent from the private sector (grant applicant)

**Are there long-term revenue consequences and how will these be funded?**

**(FORM B: EXTERNAL BIDS)**

**BIDS FOR FUNDING FROM AREA COMMITTEES  
CAPITAL (AND REVENUE) PRO FORMA**

**Short Project Title:** Provision of covered walkway to garden

**Bid submitted by:** RW Roberts, Treasurer, c/o Cravenside HFE, Lower North Avenue, Barnoldswick

**On behalf of (please include contact details):** Friends of Cravenside

**Brief Details of the Organisation's Constitution and Financial Standing:**  
Copy of constitution and latest accounts received

**Amount requested:** £2,000

**Who should the cheque be made payable to:** Friends of Cravenside

**Brief details of Project:** Install covered walkway to garden area allowing residents to use garden in all weathers

**Main Outcomes to be Achieved:** Improvement in residents daily use of garden area

**When will Project be implemented?** In about one to two months' time

**Who will undertake the Project works?** The Window Blind Centre, Lomeshaye Industrial Estate, Nelson

**Is the bid for capital or revenue funding?** Capital

**Is there match funding for the Project from elsewhere?** No  
**If so, please give details:** N/A

**Are there long-term revenue consequences and how will these be funded?**  
No