

**BID FOR CAPITAL FUNDING FROM AREA COMMITTEES
PRO FORMA**

A. Short project title: Waterside Road to Colne Lane footpath handrail (Ref 9373)

B. Bid submitted by: Tom Partridge, Countryside Access Officer

C. On behalf of (please include contact details): Environmental Services, Fleet Street Depot, Fleet Street, Nelson

D. Amount requested: £2000 (total project cost is £4000)

E. Brief details of project: The proposal is to install a handrail on a steep section of a public footpath running from Waterside Road to Colne Lane. This will be bolted to the cobbles over a total length of 47m.

F. Main outcomes to be achieved: This will be a further improvement to a footpath which was renovated in 2015 with surface improvements at a cost of £5750. The path is steep and the cobbles can get slippery. There has been a customer request for a handrail. The customer reported that people had slipped and fallen on the footpath. The handrail will therefore add to pedestrian safety. There is no footway in the corresponding length of Waterside Road so the public footpath is well used by people avoiding traffic on the twisty lane.

G. When will project be implemented? H. Who will undertake the project works? We have received a quotation of £3860 from a local engineering company to supply and install the handrail. This is subject to possible increases in the price of steel (hence the project cost estimate given above). The work would be carried out within the 2022 – 23 financial year.

I. Is there match funding for the project from elsewhere?

If so, please give details: We will pay the balance of the costs from the countryside access budget. We are usually able to reclaim such spending from Lancashire County Council.

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

No.



