



SMALL GRANTS SCHEME NOTES FOR APPLICANTS

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THE SCHEME

The Surrey Historic Buildings Trust was set up in 1980, with the broad objective of preserving the county's historic heritage for the benefit of both the people of Surrey and the nation at large. In accordance with this objective, the Small Grants Scheme aims to encourage individuals or groups to restore or conserve significant architectural features through the provision of financial assistance.

Grants are typically 10% of a project's cost, up to a maximum grant of £5,000. It is permissible to apply for more than one grant to a building within the same year where clearly defined separate operations are being undertaken.

ELIGIBLE WORKS

Applications relating to a wide range of architectural features will be considered where the cost including VAT is over £5,000. Examples include window glazing bars, brickwork, masonry, specialist roofing materials, exterior doors, garden features, paving, gates, railings, church table tombs and monuments.

INELIGIBLE WORKS

1. Reroofing of non-specialist roofing materials, such as clay tiles or lead.
2. Work by local authorities unless to structures in closed burial grounds.
3. Work required as a condition of a planning permission, lease or similar legal agreement.
4. Works by an individual who has altered a protected building without the consent of the relevant planning authority and works to make good unauthorised works.
5. Works where there is not a clear public benefit.
6. Works to buildings, structures or sites which are not heritage assets.
7. Works which have already been carried out.
8. Works proposed within three years of the property being purchased by the owner.

PUBLIC BENEFIT

As a charity, it is a requirement that applications to the Small Grants Scheme demonstrate a clear public benefit from the proposed project. Any public benefit should be in line with the guidance produced by the Charity Commission.

https://assets.publishing.service.gov.uk/media/5a817021ed915d74e6232442/PB1_The_public_benefit_requirement.pdf

TERMS AND CONDITIONS

1. Applications must be made on a Small Grants Scheme Application Form (below) and submitted either hard copy or preferably digitally.
2. A site visit to the relevant architectural feature will generally have to be carried out by the Surrey Historic Buildings Trust before a grant offer can be made and after the work is completed.
3. Applicants should produce two detailed estimates which clearly identify what works are being proposed. In the case of specialised work, a single estimate may be acceptable.
4. The application **cannot be considered** unless it is accompanied by **photographs** of the building and plans where available.
5. The Trust will normally require replacement windows to be single glazed to ensure the correct detailing of glazing bars.
6. An offer will be made on the basis of the nature and scope of the work and the Surrey Historic Buildings Trust will typically contribute up to 10% of the cost of a project with no individual offer exceeding £5,000.
7. The work carried out must follow the specification or description of work outlined in the grant application. Any deviation from this must be agreed by Surrey Historic Buildings Trust or the grant cannot be paid.
8. Applicants are responsible for obtaining any statutory consent that is necessary such as listed building consent from the local planning authority or a faculty from a diocese.
9. The Trust will only pay a grant after the work has been completed.
10. If final costs exceed or fall short of the original estimates by a significant amount, the Surrey Historic Buildings Trust may adjust the amount awarded as it considers appropriate.
11. Any difficulties or disputes which cannot be resolved will be referred to the Board of Management of the Surrey Historic Buildings Trust, whose decision will be final.
12. Applicants must agree to allow the Surrey Historic Buildings Trust to carry out 'before' and 'after' photography of any project, if it wishes to do so.
13. Applicants must agree to allow the Surrey Historic Buildings Trust to include in its publicity material details of any work carried out through the Small Grants Scheme.
14. Any grant not claimed within three years of the original application will lapse automatically unless an extension to the deadline has been agreed by the Trust.
15. Where a property is sold or redeveloped within five years of the receipt of a grant the Trust may request repayment of the grant on a tapering basis, reducing by one fifth of the grant each completed year.

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APPLICATION FOR FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE

Application is hereby made to Surrey Historic Buildings Trust Ltd for financial assistance towards the restoration and/or conservation of the architectural features described below. The notes provided with this form have been read and the terms and conditions that are set out therein are accepted.

Applications can be completed either digitally or by hand. If completed by hand, please complete in **BLOCK CAPITALS**:

1. APPLICANT DETAILS

Full name(s) of applicant(s)	
Organisation and job title (if applicable)	
Address	
Name cheque should be made payable to	
Email address	
Telephone	

2. ABOUT THE BUILDING

Address of the building	
Owner details (if different from above)	
Date of purchase	

Is the property freehold or leasehold?

Freehold Leasehold

If leasehold, has the freeholder agreed to the work?

Freeholder has agreed Freeholder has not agreed Not applicable

Is the building listed, scheduled or in a conservation area?

Listed Scheduled Conservation Area Other (locally listed / non-designated heritage asset)

If listed, please indicate the grade and provide the list entry number. If in a conservation area, please provide the name of the conservation area.

Is the building on an ‘at risk’ register?

Yes No

If yes, please provide the name of the register and the reference number.

Please provide a brief description of the heritage asset.

You should include an overview of its history, use, heritage value and importance to the community.

3. ABOUT THE WORKS

Please give a brief description of the proposed work

You must provide copies of two detailed estimates. Where the contractors' estimates do not give details of the works, these should be identified on a separate specification.

What is the estimated cost for these works including VAT?

£

Can you claim back VAT?

Yes No

Has statutory permission been agreed with the relevant authority?

Yes No Not required

Have you applied for, or are you intending to apply for, financial assistance for these works from any other body? Please provide details.

Please explain what public benefit will result from the proposed works.

Public benefit should be clearly defined, identifying what need and demand it will meet.

How did you know of the grant scheme?

Website Local Press Local authority Website Word of Mouth Other

I/We certify that the information given on this form is correct to the best of my/our knowledge and belief.

Signature(s):

Date:

After completing this form, please scan a copy and return to serena.perezstorey@surreycc.gov.uk with any additional documents. Please note, we are unable to receive zip files.

Alternatively, you can post a copy to:
Serena Perez-Storey, Historic Buildings Officer
Surrey Historic Buildings Trust
Historic Environment Planning
Surrey County Council
Quadrant Court
35 Guildford Road
Woking
GU22 7QQ

For official use only.

Date considered:

Amount offered:

Conditions:

Authorised by:

Offer letter sent:

Completion notified:

Authorisation to Treasurer: