

Storefront Grant Scheme

Project:	Replacement door, signage and exterior improvements
Applicant:	Flinders Coffee
Address:	101 South Road, Haywards Heath, RH17 4LR
Type of goods sold:	Café food and Beverage
Grant Request to MSDC	£4,000
Total project cost:	£5,100

Summary of project proposal and aims:

To replace existing door and surround along with new signage to improve external storefront look.

Background

Flinders Coffee is a Café Food and beverage store situated on Haywards Heath high street, which offers a range of drinks and a breakfast and lunch menu. The store also offers evening cookery classes for customers.

The grant funding will enable the store to replace its existing, door and door frame which has become worn since the business began operating. The new door will also allow the business to provide more disabled friendly access. The funding will also allow the business to refresh its water damaged signage and incorporate additional signage to the exterior of the store.

Officer evaluation of the project

Flinders Coffee fits the criteria of being an independent retailer situated within Mid Sussex.

The grant funding will support the improvement of their retail offer through refreshing the storefront. The improvements will also have a secondary benefit of helping to enhance the street scene more generally. This meets the overall aim of the grant programme (improving physical presence of independent retailers) and is therefore an appropriate project to receive support.

Recommendation

That a grant of £4,000 is awarded to Flinders Coffee to aid in the refresh and repair of their storefront.

Project:	Renovation of new storefront
Applicant:	Upmarket22
Address:	22 Church Road, Burgess Hill, RH15 9AE
Type of goods sold:	Mixed products and café
Grant Request to MSDC	£4,000
Total project cost:	£6,000

Summary of project proposal and aims:

Renovate new storefront following a move of the store.

Background

Upmarket22 is an independent café and store situated on Church Road in Burgess Hill. The store serves primarily as a café but also stocks and sells a wide range of products and gifts in what is referred to as their 'Market Hall'. This stock is made up of products from any business that wishes to sell their products through the store.

Upmarket22 is currently looking to relocate to another unit on Church Road and is seeking grant funding to aid in the renovation of this unit. The grant funding will support the replacement of the currently vacant unit's door, windows and framing which are currently in need of repair. The grant will also aid in the installation of new signage and graphics for the aforementioned new windows.

Officer evaluation of the project

Upmarket22 fit the criteria of being an independent retailer situated within Mid Sussex.

The grant funding will support the improvement of their retail offer through refreshing the storefront. The improvements will also have a secondary benefit of helping to enhance the street scene more generally. This meets the overall aim of the grant programme (improving physical presence of independent retailers) and is therefore an appropriate project to receive support.

Recommendation

That a grant of £4,000 is awarded to Upmarket22 to aid in the renovation of their new storefront.