



Local Improvement Grants Val Hough

Funded by Visit LSTF (Local
Sustainable Transport Fund)



Aims and Objectives

- Contribute to overall VISIT project aims
- Improve local facilities for sustainable transport
- Means of securing public or private sector contributions



What is involved?

- 100% funding up to a maximum of £5000
- Advice and support through LSTF project
- Independent appraisal panel
- Applicant responsible for development and delivery
- Maximum of 2 successful applications, but these must be for different projects



Who is eligible ?

- Organisations located in or operating in the project area
- Private or public organisations from the leisure/ tourism sector
- Community or voluntary organisations located in or operating in the project area



What is eligible ?

- **Capital projects** – site improvements etc. – these must be located in the project area
- **Community projects** – one-off activities etc. – the organisation claiming can be outside the area, but the activity claimed for must relate to the project area



What is eligible ?

- Site improvements
- Cycle parking/storage
- Staff/visitor facilities – lockers, showers
- Entrance/access improvements – paths/routes
- Links to public transport – routes/signs
- Information signs/boards
- Improved access for mobility impaired



- Community projects
- Community event/roadshow
- Promotion and awareness campaign
- Publication of leaflet/information
- Website development/improvement



What is not eligible ?

- Ongoing/running costs
- Staff costs
- Projects that do not support or promote sustainable transport

www.visitseftonandwestlancs.co.uk



Formby Festival of Cycling

Wednesday 18th July 2012
Start at 3:30pm

A fun filled afternoon of cycling related activities that include:

- Bike Maintenance
- Learn to Cycle Workshops
- Come and try the Compu-Trainer
- BBQ
- Free Goodie Bags to the first 50 people that either Cycle, Walk or Scooter to the event
- Loads more.

The day will finish with a family cycle ride through Formby at 6.45pm.






www.formbypool.co.uk

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Making an application

- Don't assume – the appraisal team will only have the application form
- Follow the guidance – provide all the information requested
- Check about permissions, e.g. planning
- Obtain verifiable quotes and provide copies
- Keep the objectives in mind (these can't be changed to suit the application !)
- Check tax (VAT) status



Claiming the grant

- Complete the project
- Follow the guidance – provide all the information requested
- Ensure the required monitoring has been done and provide evidence that the project has been completed
- Provide copies of any invoices
- Evidence of tax (VAT) status



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