

Flooding

Grant Support

Application for grant support following internal property flooding occurring from July 2015.

Funding has been provided by the Scottish Government for Inverclyde Council to administer one-off payments to provide assistance to those who have been most affected by flooding since July 2015. There are two grants available, £1,500 for properties that have been flooded and £3,000 for businesses where their ability to trade has been severely impacted.

Flood Affected Properties Grant - £1,500

This is a flat rate grant of £1,500 and is available to each flood affected household, business, or community group (such as rugby clubs etc) or charitable organisation for the following:

- To reimburse you for the opportunity cost of not receiving the full benefit of services you pay for through Council Tax or Business Rates while absent from your home or where a business has had their trading disrupted due to internal property flooding.
- To enable you to protect your home or business against future floods by installing new flood barriers, or by carrying out flood resilient repairs such as replacing doors and windows with water resistant alternatives, or moving electricity sockets up to a safer level, etc.

Households and businesses which were directly affected by flooding i.e which suffered inundation of water within their premises (this includes damage to basements), will be eligible to apply for the grant. Properties which suffered inundation of the garden only, will not be eligible to apply.

The definition of households includes farmhouses, and the definition of business premises includes farm buildings such as grain stores etc, but not empty sheds or other buildings where there was no real impact to the farm business.

In order to ensure that those who have suffered internal property flooding are the ones to receive the grant, evidence to support the application should be supplied. Such evidence could be:

- Photographic or video evidence of property flooding.
- Independent report from agencies such as emergency services or Inverclyde Council attending the property during the flooding event.
- Independent report from an insurance company that visited after the event.
- Evidence of calls to agencies such as emergency services or Inverclyde Council advising that property flooding was occurring.
- All evidence provided will require to be date and time stamped.

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Additional Business Compensation Grant - £3,000

This is a flat rate grant of £3,000 and is available to businesses where trade has been severely impacted by flooding. Severe disruption could include:

- closure of business for a number of days
- loss of customers through disruption to production
- loss of customers through disruption to customer access.

These grants are intended to support businesses in their recovery and are a one-off payment to offset costs which cannot be covered by insurance such as clean-up costs, materials and exceptional costs to help the business restore trade including marketing and promotion.

A business does not have to have suffered direct inundation to be eligible for this grant and as such some of the evidence noted above for Flood Affected Properties may not be available. Applicants will however be expected to evidence that trade has been severely impacted as highlighted above. Such evidence may include photographic or video evidence or independent Emergency Services, Council or Insurance Company reports. Evidence of the business disruption in form of business closure or severely reduced takings etc should also be supplied.

If you wish to apply for Flooding Grant Support please complete the form overleaf

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Name			
Address			
Contact Telephone Number:			
Property inundated by flooding (if different from above)			
Nature of Property (delete as applicable)	Residential/Business/Community Group/Charitable Organisation*		
Grant applied for (delete as applicable)	Flood Affected Property/Additional Business Compensation/Both*		
Date of flooding event:			
Nature of impacts (where possible please provide evidence)			
(continue on separate sheet if necessary)			
Transfer of funds will be by BACS. Please provide bank details.			
Name of Account Holder			
Bank Name and Address			
Sort Code		Account Number	

Please return to

Finance Services, Inverclyde Council, Municipal Buildings, Clyde Square, Greenock, Inverclyde PA15 1LY

Email : flood.grants@inverclyde.gov.uk

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Date received

Approved - Finance

Approved - Roads

Payment Issued

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Nature of impacts (continued)