

# New Grant Scheme!

## For Rural Retailers and Community Enterprises

### Available Now

Grants available from £1,500 to £20,000

We are keen to support rural retailers in population areas of less than 5,000 residents. Both community enterprises and commercial businesses (independent) are eligible. The grant will fund projects that enable retailers to increase their productivity and develop new avenues for sale of food/drink and local produce. Applicants must prove they are not in direct competition with another business in the same village. 50% match funding is required. We will take account of how your project will contribute to the rural economy and local community.

#### Examples of Eligible Businesses:-

- Retailing businesses or community buildings comprising post offices
- Village Shops
- Village Markets
- Butchers
- Bakeries
- Farm Shops
- Cafes and tea rooms
- Newsagents
- Mobile Facilities
- Pubs
- Pop up shops/cafes
- Community owned woodlands (if comprising a retail element)

## Examples of Eligible Activities:-

- Introducing/increasing the range of locally produced foods
- Improvements to sales area
- Internal modernisation
- External appearance
- Development of parking facilities
- Development of local delivery services
- Retail advice and guidance
- Projects supporting creative locations for essential services such as shops/post offices within pubs, village halls, churches etc

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## Further Information:

Click on the link to download an [Information Sheet](#) outlining the scheme, including how to apply.

Send in a [Project Enquiry Form](#)

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