

Section 3 About Your Organisation

Name of Organisation				FREEMASONS HALL BERWICK UPON Tweed			
What type of organisation are you (please tick)				MASONIC LODGE			
Registered Charity		Unregistered Community Group/Club/Society				<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
Other (please state):							
Do you have a set of rules or a constitution (please tick)? (please supply a copy if this is your first application to BTC)				Yes		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	No
Where does your organisation work (please tick)?							
Just in the Berwick, Tweedmouth and/or Spittal area		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		Regionally in the North East and/or Southern Scotland			
Throughout Northumberland				Nationally			
For the most recent financial year please state:							
Income		£ 12 662.86		Expenditure		£ 13 717.42	
				Year end balance		£ 9135.21	
What does your organisation do?							
<p>WE ARE A MASONIC BUILDING WHICH FACILITATES A VENUE FOR MASONIC LODGES AND ORDERS TO MEET AND ENJOY THEIR CEREMONIES. EACH LODGE + ORDERS COLLECTS ALMS TO BE DISTRIBUTED TO LOCAL CHARITIES OR NATIONALLY THROUGH NATIONAL MASONIC Benevolent Association.</p> <p>WE OPEN TO General Public every year for Heritage open Doors Day</p>							
How many people take part in your activities each year? APPROX 250 TO 300							
How many people are involved in your organisation? 12 LODGES + ORDERS							
Committee & Volunteers		17		Paid Staff (FTE)		NONE	

Section 4 Your Project

Describe your project [Continue on a separate sheet as necessary; include any drawings or plans of your project that will help explain what it is about]

WE WANT TO INSTALL HANDRAILS AND A LIGHT FITTING TO THE FRONT ENTRANCE OF OUR BUILDING

Why is it needed? (include details of any research you have carried out to identify the need and describe any specific benefits for the people of Berwick, Tweedmouth and Spittal)

MANY OF OUR MEMBERS AND VISITORS ARE ELDERLY AND ~~OLD~~ INFIRM. WE USUALLY HOLD OUR MEETINGS IN THE EVENING WHICH MEANS THAT IN WINTER THE ENTRANCE IS DARK AND SLIPPERY IF THERE HAS BEEN SNOW AND ICE. WE FEEL THAT WE NEED TO IMPROVE THIS AS A SAFETY ISSUE.

How will you measure the success of your project?

A SAFER ENTRANCE TO THE BUILDING AND MORE MEMBERS + VISITORS ABLE TO ATTEND.

What is the total cost of your project?

Please provide a project budget APPROXIMATELY £1000 TO £1200

Have you asked any other organisation for help to fund the project?

Yes

No



If yes, please give details below

Organisation	Amount requested	Outcome

Section 4 Your Project (continued)

What will the Town Council grant be used for?

Here you should list either individual items you want the Town Council to help pay for e.g. Toilets or insurance or areas of expenditure you want help with e.g. printing or publicity.

Do Not provide a list of unrelated items and a single cost for them all.

Item	Cost	Purchased or hired?	Town Council Contribution
PRE PLANNING APP, PLANNING APPLICATION LISTED BUILDING CONSENT	£275	PURCHASED	£275
O/S MAPS FOR PLANNING APPS	£25	PURCHASED	£25
LIGHT FITTING + ELECTRICIAN	£200	TO BE PURCHASED	£200
FABRICATION + INSTALLATION OF HANDRAIL	£500	TO BE PURCHASED	£500
Total requested from Town Council This box must be filled in and not exceed £2500			£1000

How will you publicise the Town Council's assistance (for example at the event and/or in publicity or other material)?

THE COUNCIL'S ASSISTANCE WILL BE DISCUSSED AND MINUTED AT OUR QUARTERLY MASONIC HALL MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE MEETING. THESE MINUTES ARE DISTRIBUTED TO ALL OUR MEMBERS. IT WOULD ALSO BE MENTIONED TO GENERAL PUBLIC WHEN WE OPEN UP FOR HERITAGE OPEN DOORS DAY

What will happen if you are not given funding at this time?

OURS IS A GRADE II LISTED BUILDING AND AS SUCH REQUIRES MAINTENANCE WHICH IS NOT CHEAP. WE WOULD STILL GO AHEAD WITH THE PROJECT OUT OF OUR OWN FUNDS AS WE BELIEVE THAT THIS IS A NECESSARY SAFETY FEATURE BUT THIS WOULD LEAVE US LESSER EMERGENCIES SUCH AS WHEN STORM ARROW HIT AND BLEW IN THE STAINED GLASS WINDOWS OR WHEN THE KITCHEN FLOODED. THIS WOULD ALSO BE DISCUSSED AND MINUTED AT OUR QUARTERLY MASONIC HALL COMMITTEE MEETING.