

How to apply?

Contact the TH.CARS2 team for initial advice and to request an Application Pack—contact details overleaf. The Application Pack provides important information on eligibility criteria, documentation required and the application process.

It can also be downloaded from our website:

www.renfrewshire.gov.uk/THCars2

Useful information

Conservation Area Regeneration Scheme
Historic Environment Scotland
www.historicenvironment.scot

Townscape Heritage Scheme
National Lottery Heritage Fund
www.hlf.org.uk

Heritage Centre
Unit 907
Abbey Mill Business Centre
12 Seedhill Rd
Paisley PA11JS
heritage@renfrewshire.gov.uk

Useful documents

Application pack containing:

- Grant Application Guidance
- Preliminary Application Form
- Grant Application Form
- Shopfront Guide

Contact

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What is Paisley TH.CARS2?

Paisley TH.CARS2 is a Townscape Heritage & Conservation Area Regeneration Scheme for Paisley Town Centre which will run until 2021.

The scheme is funded by a number of partners and will give grant opportunities to property owners in a defined area of Paisley Town Centre focusing on High St, New St, Shuttle St and George Place.

What is the scheme's aim?

The aim of the scheme is to improve historic properties and streetscape within the TH.CARS2 area to help regeneration in Paisley.

A programme of Heritage Education, Training and Events will be delivered. The activities will engage diverse audiences with the heritage & culture of Paisley, with an emphasis on learning through making, particularly around traditional building skills and textiles.

What are the principles?

The general principles of the TH.CARS2 scheme are:

- Adopt proven traditional building techniques based on analysis of the causes of defects and an understanding of the historic development of the building;
- Avoid unnecessary damage and avoid replacement of sound historic fabric;
- Restore features based on appropriate evidence;
- Safeguard the future of the building with regular maintenance.



What grants are available?

Small Grant for works under £10,000
Standard Grant for works over £10,000

Grants of up to 80% are available for eligible building repairs and up to 90% for eligible shopfront improvements.

What work is eligible?

Building repair: Structural and external repairs to historic buildings which are still in use, for example works to roofs, masonry, external doors and windows.

Re-instatement of architectural detail: This may include ornamental metal work, decorative tiling or timber or stone details where the building is in an otherwise good condition, or will be repaired as part of the project.

Shopfront improvement: Where works restore or contribute positively to the built heritage of the Conservation Area. (Refer to the Shopfront Guide)

For further details of eligible works, refer to the *Grant Application Guidance notes*.

What work is excluded?

- Routine maintenance and other minor repairs;
- Alterations, extensions and internal work;
- Demolition of historic fabric;
- Upgrading and renewal of services, including underground drainage;
- Stone cleaning and other similar treatments;
- Works underway prior to approval of grant.

Conditions of Grant

Grants will be awarded in compliance with the terms and conditions set by funders. More information can be found in the *Grant Application Guidance notes*.

You must not start works until the Contract of Grant has been signed by yourself and the relevant parties.

Any works carried out beforehand will not be funded.

Who can apply?

Priority Projects have been identified and will be the focus for funding but this will not exclude applications for works to other buildings. Building owners of properties in the TH.CARS2 area can apply for funding and will be assessed on a range of criteria including listing, heritage value, prominence and/or impact on the TH.CARS2 area, level of repair required and potential re-use of historic floor space.

