Public Toilets Grant Scheme

Frequently Asked Questions

What is the Public Facilities Grant Scheme (PTGS)?

The Public Toilets Grant Scheme is funded and managed by Gwynedd Council. This Scheme allows members of the general public to use toilet facilities in a range of approved local establishments during their opening hours. The facilities are made available free of charge and without any expectation that users will purchase goods or services whilst on the premises. Participating premises will be required to keep their toilets safe, clean, accessible and well-stocked. The maximum grant is £500 per location per year.

How much money can establishment expect from the Scheme?

Each Establishment will be evaluated by Gwynedd Council and a grant offer will be based on the circumstances of the Establishment and its toilets, namely:

- the daily opening hours (minimum of 20 hours per week)
- the days when it is open
- the period of Service (seasonal or all-year)
- the range of facilities available for the public's use
- the condition and quality of the facilities and;
- a current and suitable public liability insurance policy for the Establishment. (copy to be provided to Cyngor Gwynedd as requested)

Cyngor Gwynedd will determine the grant amount that the service provider may receive when it evaluates the application, the grant money will be released in one payment at the end of the financial year. (March)

What are the benefits to the establishment and organisations participating in the Scheme?

Good publicity - your establishment will be advertised via the Gwynedd Council's Website, the Council's main reception area and in tourist information centres across the county as a community toilet location.

Your establishment could potentially benefit from the visits, as more people will be entering the premises and could make a purchase or use your service.

How do I apply?

You apply by completing the enclosed application form. There is no set deadline date for receipt of application forms. However, please note that the grant money is limited and will be awarded on an annual basis. There is a likelihood that applications made now will be placed on a waiting list.

The agreement for each Establishment with Gwynedd Council will last up to twelve calendar months within a financial year. Please note, Cyngor Gwynedd is not bound to renew a current Agreement or issue a new Agreement to an Establishment in the subsequent financial year.

What happens next?

After completing and submitting your application form, if valid, a Council Officer will arrange a visit to view your proposed toilet(s) and to discuss your proposals in more detail e.g. opening hours etc. Following the visit, a letter will be sent informing you of the outcome of the assessment. Successful applicants will be placed on a waiting list.