

Scottish Government submission of 16 February 2023

PE1955/E: Make the provision of public toilets a statutory duty

RTIF welcomes applications for projects including (but not exclusively) toilets, as long as these projects have been identified as priorities within the relevant Strategic Tourism Infrastructure Development Plan. Only Local Authorities and National Park Authorities can apply for funding. However, Community Groups and other agencies can apply to their Local Authority or National Park if they have an eligible project. Individual businesses are not eligible for RTIF.

RTIF can be used to provide new or upgrade existing toilets but RTIF cannot be used to reopen toilets which have closed e.g. as a result of budget cuts.

There are few specific criteria in relation to toilets but usually we prioritise through the scoring system, looking for facilities which provide additionality, increase accessibility and improve sustainability.

See here for more background on process and a summary of what applicants must demonstrate in their application [Rural Development Fund - Funding | VisitScotland.org](#).

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