Market Engagement Advert

Empty Property Grant

Stockton-on-Tees Borough Council is seeking an organisation (s) to deliver a scheme involving bringing empty properties back into use on an affordable rental basis within the North Thornaby Area.

The Council will support this initiative by making £400,000.00 available in grant funding.

The purpose of the grant is to carry out the following:

- Purchase empty dwellings.
- Improve the condition of these dwellings (to return them to an acceptable letting standard).
- o Return empty properties to residential use on an affordable rental basis.

For full details of the proposed specification, please see 'Appendix 1 – Specification'

We would like to welcome prospective grant recipients to attend a 1-2-1 meeting with the Council. The proposed dates for these meetings are:

- ➤ Thursday 8th December 2022
- ➤ Monday 12th December 2022

We would prefer for these meetings to be face – to - face and held at Stockton-on-Tees Borough Council, Church Road, Stockton-on-Tees. TS18 1TW.

The meeting can, however, be held via a Microsoft Team's meeting if preferred.

The purpose of the meeting is to outline our vision for this work and welcome your input on how you think the use of the grant money can be maximised, how it could achieve its full potential and how any pitfalls could be avoided. To arrange a meeting please contact Vicki Walton using the online messaging function on the portal or via email at wicki.walton@stockton.gov.uk and a time and date will be arranged.

In addition, please complete the 'Market Engagement Questionnaire' document attached.

Following the market engagement event, the Council will then then look to carry out an appropriate procurement exercise to secure a solution that will support the needs of the Borough.