



Additional Restrictions Grant (Taxi Version 3)

To support self-employed taxi drivers within Northumberland as a contribution to continued fixed costs, a one-off payment of £500 is being made available to self-employed licensed taxi and private hire drivers, subject to certain conditions.

Who is eligible for the Grant

This one-off grant payment is being made available to specific self-employed taxi and private hire drivers licensed by Northumberland County Council. To be eligible for the grant drivers must be self-employed and have been licensed by Northumberland County Council on 18 September 2020.

Grant level

A one-off payment of £500 is available to eligible applicants.

How to Apply for the ARG (Taxi Version 3)

Businesses who qualify for this scheme are those who were successful applicants under the Additional Restrictions Grant Taxi Version 1 and / or Version 2.

In order to reduce the administrative burden an email will be sent to those successful businesses with a link to a shortened electronic form for completion.

The form prompts applicants for confirmation of certain information including their Northumberland County Council issued licence number. The applicant must make a declaration. Applications must be made by 15 February 2021.

Queries regarding this scheme can be addressed to the County Council at the following dedicated email address: covidgrants@northumberland.gov.uk

Variation to the fund

The Council reserves the right to close or vary the terms of the scheme at any time, and without notice, should it be necessary to do so.

Appeals

There is no appeal process. Applicants whose applications are rejected may request a review. The review will be carried out by an officer who was not involved in the original decision. The decision of the review is final. Details about how to request a review will be provided to every applicant whose application is rejected.

Managing the risk of fraud

Neither the Government nor Northumberland County Council will accept deliberate manipulation and fraud - and any business caught falsifying their records to gain grant money will face prosecution and any funding issued will be subject to claw back, as may any grants paid in error.

It is important that applicants ensure that they provide accurate bank details for grant payments and that these relate to the business concerned.