

## **CAMELS, CAVES, AND ICE CREAM VANS: LLOYDS TSB REVEALS ANNUAL LOANS LIST**

What do a camel and an ice cream van have in common? Usually, the two wouldn't be mentioned in the same breath, but now both have found their way on to Lloyds TSB's annual list of 'alternative' loan requests – a catalogue of the most memorable requests for cash from customers over the past twelve months.

Although published in time for April Fools day, the list is no joke and includes nothing but genuine requests for money from Lloyds TSB Personal Loans customers. What it does reveal is that home improvements and new cars are not always the first thing on every customers mind!

Customers' requests for loans have included:

1. £20,000 to convert a cave into a house
2. £15,000 for a camel
3. £1,000 for a sheep
4. £3,000 for plastic surgery
5. £5,000 for a suit of armour
6. £3,000 for an ice cream van
7. £10,000 for a black stallion
8. £20,000 for a dowry payment
9. £7,000 for a houseboat

Tony Gibbons, director of Lloyds TSB Personal Loans, said: "Most customers come to us to borrow money for more traditional pursuits such as DIY, holidays, or even a used car. But our annual list is a refreshing reminder that Brits still have a healthy dose of eccentricity and ambition.

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“Whether it’s a houseboat or a horse that’s top of the list, a personal loan is a great way for people to get what they want, in a way that’s affordable.”

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