

Freedom of Information Questionnaire

FOI Request by Foundations. August 2016

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1A	In 2015/16 what was your total spend on home adaptations* funded or part funded with your Disabled Facilities Grant funding allocation from central government?	£410,000
1B	How many homes* were adapted using this funding?	59
1C	In addition to the allocation from central government, how much funding (if any) did you receive from the following sources:	
	Adults' Social Services	£Nil* *Adult Social Care and Health provided a Top Up grant to a DFG scheme that exceeded the maximum DFG threshold of £30K although this money was not paid to NSDC but direct to the individual grant applicant
	Children's Social Services	£Nil
	Health Service	£Nil
	Other Local Authority	£Nil
2A	For 2016/17 what is your total budget for home adaptations* funded or part funded with your Disabled Facilities Grant funding allocation from central government?	£550,000
2B	Does this include the full allocation from central government?	No No – BCF allocation of

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		£803,000 – remaining allocation potentially to be used for alternative schemes subject to BCF board approval
2C	In addition to the allocation from central government, how much of the budget (if any) includes funding from the following sources:	
	Adults' Social Services	£Nil
	Children's Social Services	£Nil
	Health Service	£Nil
	Other Local Authority	£Nil

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3	Disabled Facilities Grant regulations allow you to place local land charges for grant awards in excess of £5,000.	
3A	In 2015/16 how much income did your local authority receive from repayments against these charges?	£33,000
3B	How many properties does this relate to?	10
4A	Disabled Facilities Grant regulations allow you to use the funding allocation from central government more flexibly if you have a published Housing Assistance Policy. Do you use this flexibility?	Yes
4B	In 2015/16 how many people did you support to move instead of adapting their existing home?	<p>Nil</p> <p>The Councils adopted DFG policy provides for a number of discretionary schemes including Top Up to mandatory works, potential relocation assistance and dual residency grants for disabled children. In 2015/16 no payment of discretionary assistance recorded although discretionary schemes approved for payment in following financial year.</p>

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4C	Do you still use the 'prescribed form' for Disabled Facilities Grant applications?	Yes / No

* please DO NOT include information on adaptations to any retained Council Housing or funding from a Housing Revenue Account