

Appendix D – Housing General Fund Proposed Capital Programme

COMMITTEE SCHEMES	Current Programme 2024/25 £	Estimated Programme 2025/26 £	Estimated Programme 2026/27 £	Estimated Programme 2027/28 £	Total Programme 2024-28 £
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Housing General Fund

Current Continuing Programme					
Disabled Facilities Grants	420,000	420,000	420,000		1,260,000
Total Current Continuing Programme	420,000	420,000	420,000	0	1,260,000
Revisions and New Bids					
Disabled Facilities Grants				420,000	420,000
Total Revisions and New Bids	0	0	0	420,000	420,000
Proposed Programme					
Disabled Facilities Grants	420,000	420,000	420,000	420,000	1,680,000
Total Proposed Programme	420,000	420,000	420,000	420,000	1,680,000

The following page provides details of capital allocations proposed from 2025/26 onwards

CAPITAL PROJECT SUMMARY - HOUSING GENERAL FUND

Title of Scheme	Disabled Facilities Grant
Description of Scheme	Mandatory DFG to a maximum of £30,000 at the recommendation of an Occupational Therapist for the provision of facilities and/or additional living space for residents with health or mobility problems. This is a means tested grant, with the exception of grants to children.
Key Aspects of Scheme (including benefits, contract details, key dates and reasons for revisions where applicable)	Provides grant funding for adaptations to allow residents living in the private sector (which includes the homes of registered social landlords), with a disability or severe mental health problem to live safely and independently in their existing home for as long as possible. The provision of adaptations also helps to avoid delayed transfers of care and delays or avoids the need to access acute services and residential care. Central government funding is provided through the Better Care Fund (BCF) which covers the current level of expenditure. DFGs are a mandatory grant and the demand for adaptation work is very difficult to predict but it is known that the District has a growing ageing population. There is no means test in respect of grants for adaptations for children. On occasion, the cost of works exceed the mandatory limit and discretionary funding is awarded and must be considered as one process with the mandatory grant otherwise the Council is open to challenge. The Council also funds qualifying Handyperson works in the private sector using BCF using discretion provided in the Regulatory Reform Order.