

FOI REF: 14328 **RESPONSE SENT:** 03/07/2024

Request: Council Housing adaptations

Response:

Question	Response by LA
For disabled tenants living in your retained Council Housing stock who need home adaptations, do you operate a grant process equivalent to the Disabled Facilities Grant (DFG) in other tenures?	Yes
If 'No', how do tenants request / apply for home adaptations?	N/A
Is the team that manage the requests part of the local authority, and what is the name of the team?	Yes - Team Name: Housing Property Services
If you have a published policy on adaptation in your retained councilink: https://www.winchester.gov.uk/housing/council-housing-tenants/readaptations	•
Where a disabled tenant living in your retained Council Housing stock requests adaptations costing more than £1,000, is their request means tested?	No – we no longer means test
If 'Yes', what was the total value of your tenants' assessed financial contributions (following a means test) for all completed adaptations in 2023/24?	£
Are these adaptations generally funded from your Housing Revenue Account (HRA)?	Yes
If 'Yes', how much did your local authority spend on these home adaptations from your HRA in 2023/24.	£915,031.44
And what was the average cost of adaptations per home that you adapted in 2023/24?	£1,746.24
What percentage of requests / applications for these adaptations costing more than £1,000, were assessed/referred by an Occupational Therapist (OT) in 2023/24?	100%

Do you keep a register of the adapted / accessible homes in your retained Council housing stock?	Yes
In 2023/24 how many home adaptations costing more than £1,000 did you provide for Council Housing tenants in total.	524
In 2023/24 how many home adaptations costing more than £1,000 did you provide for Council Housing tenants where the disabled person was:	
Aged 18 or under	We do not hold this data in a form which can easily be reported.
Aged 18 to 65	We do not hold this data in a form which can easily be reported.
Aged 66 and over	We do not hold this data in a form which can easily be reported.
In 2023/24 how many home adaptations did you provide for Council Housing tenants, where the total cost was:	
Between £1,000 and £5,000	111
Between £5,001 and £15,000	102
Between £15,001 and £29,999	12
£30,000 or more	19
For 2016/17 how many requests / referrals for home adaptations for Council Housing tenants were refused?	No detail currently
What is your policy on refusing adaptations for disabled tenants within your retained housing stock?	We utilise our existing stock. If we refuse we source alternate residence if the request does not have a reasonable option or alternative.
For home adaptations costing more than £1,000 in your retained housing stock which were completed during 2023/24, please	۸ .

provide the following average (mean) timescales for the following. All in working days.	
Time from receiving a referral from social services (OT) until the date of the grant application / request for approval	10 working days
Time from the grant application / request from approval until that date when the grant / works were approved	10 working days
Time from approval until the adaptation works were completed	44.72 working days