

(CCC) Home Adaptations and Disabled Facilities Grants

Please could you provide the following information on Disabled Facilities Grants (DFGs) or similar grants provided under your discretionary Housing Assistance Policy:

1a. The total number of referrals from occupational therapists received for home adaptations in the financial years 2018/19, 2019/20, 2020/21 and 2021/22 until 30th September 2021?

1bi. The total number of households means tests completed for home adaptations in the financial years 2018/19, 2019/20, 2020/21 and 2021/22 until 30th September 2021?

1bii. How many potential applicants did not proceed with making a grant application following a means test in the financial years 2018/19, 2019/20, 2020/21 and 2021/22 until 30th September 2021?

1c. The total number of formal applications received for home adaptations in the financial years 2018/19, 2019/20, 2020/21 and 2021/22 until 30th September 2021?

1d. The total number of formal applications approved in the financial years 2018/19, 2019/20, 2020/21 and 2021/22 until 30th September 2021?

1e. The total number of grants completed in the financial years 2018/19, 2019/20, 2020/21 and 2021/22 until 30th September 2021?

For the questions below, please could you specify which average measure you are using, whether it is median or mean. However, the median would be preferable.

2a. What was the average number of working days from first contact for someone to receive an initial assessment from an occupational therapist (or similar person) in each of the financial years 2018/19, 2019/20, 2020/21 and 2021/22 until 30th September 2021?

2b. What was the average number of working days between someone receiving an initial assessment from an occupational therapist (or similar person) and the date of

the referral to the housing department/ district council in each of the financial years 2018/19, 2019/20, 2020/21 and 2021/22 until 30th September 2021?

2c. What was the average number of working days between the date of the referral to the housing department/ district council and the date of the formal grant application in each of the financial years 2018/19, 2019/20, 2020/21 and 2021/22 until 30th September 2021?

2d. What was the average number of working days between the date of

receipt of the formal application and the certified/ completion date of installing the adaptations in each of the financial years 2018/19, 2019/20, 2020/21 and 2021/22 until 30th September 2021?

3a. If the council is currently using its discretionary powers to provide additional funding in addition to the maximum DFG amount, please state what the new figure is and what legislation has been used to increase the figure.

Response

1a. The total number of referrals from occupational therapists received for home adaptations in the financial years 2018/19 = 57, 2019/20 = 70, 2020/21 = 43 and 2021/22 until 30th September 2021 = 29

1bi. The total number of households means tests completed for home adaptations in the financial years 2018/19 = 57, 2019/20 = 70, 2020/21 = 43 and 2021/22 until 30th September 2021 = 29. All applicants are Means Tested

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1bii. How many potential applicants did not proceed with making a grant application following a means test in the financial years 2018/19 = 0, 2019/20 = 0, 2020/21 and 2021/22 = 1 until 30th September 2021 = 0

1c. The total number of formal applications received for home adaptations in the financial years 2018/19 = 44, 2019/20 = 54, 2020/21 = 26 and 2021/22 until 30th September 2021 = 26

1d. The total number of formal applications approved in the financial years 2018/19 = 47, 2019/20 = 45, 2020/21 = 52 and 2021/22 = 26 until 30th September 2021 = 13

1e. The total number of grants completed in the financial years 2018/19 = 47, 2019/20 = 45, 2020/21 = 15 and 2021/22 until 30th September 2021 = 8

For the questions below, please could you specify which average measure you are using, whether it is median or mean. However, the median would be preferable.

2a. What was the average number of working days from first contact for someone to receive an initial assessment from an occupational therapist (or similar person) in each of the financial years 2018/19, 2019/20, 2020/21 and 2021/22 until 30th September 2021? Information not held by Cambridge City Council, Please contact Cambridgeshire County Council

2b. What was the average number of working days between someone receiving an initial assessment from an occupational therapist (or similar person) and the date of

the referral to the housing department/ district council in each of the financial years 2018/19, 2019/20, 2020/21 and 2021/22 until 30th September 2021. Information not held by Cambridge City Council, Please contact Cambridgeshire County Council

2c. What was the average number of working days between the date of the referral to the housing department/ district council and the date of the formal grant

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application in each of the financial years 2018/19 = 35, 2019/20 = 40, 2020/21 = 55 and 2021/22 until 30th September 2021=75

2d. What was the average number of working days between the date of

receipt of the formal application and the certified/ completion date of installing the adaptations in each of the financial years 2018/19 = 115, 2019/20 = 90, 2020/21 = 100 and 2021/22 until 30th September 2021 =130

3a. If the council is currently using its discretionary powers to provide additional funding in addition to the maximum DFG amount, please state what the new figure is and what legislation has been used to increase the figure.£15,000 of additional funding for DFG's agreed as part of a RRO

Further queries on this matter should be directed to foi@cambridge.gov.uk