

The Duty Team (Social Services) can be contacted on 01429 523390 or via email at dutyteam@hartlepool.gcsx.gov.uk

Housing Services can be contacted on 01429 523336 or by email at:

housingservices@hartlepool.gov.uk



Housing Services can be contacted by any of the following methods:

- Visit the Special Needs Housing team at Civic Centre, Victoria Road
- By telephone (01429) 523336
- Email: housingservices@hartlepool.gov.uk

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এই ডকুমেন্ট অন্য ভাষায়, বড় প্রিন্ট আকারে এবং অডিও ট্রেপ আকারেও অনুরোধে পাওয়া যায়।

本文件也可應要求，製作成其他語文或特大字體版本，也可製作成錄音帶。

अनुरोध पर यह दस्तावेज़ अन्य भाषाओं में, बड़े अक्षरों की छपाई और सुनने वाले माध्यम पर भी उपलब्ध है

ئەم بەلگەيە ھەر ھەروەھا بە زمانەکانی کە، بە چاڤى درشت و بە شىرتى تەسجىل دەس دەگەوت

هذه الوثيقة متاحة أيضا بلغات أخرى والأحرف الطباعة الكبيرة وبطريقة سمعية عند الطلب.

Dokument ten jest na życzenie udostępniany także w innych wersjach językowych, w dużym druku lub w formacie audio.

درخواست پر یہ دستاویز دیگر زبانوں میں، بڑے حروف کی چھپائی اور سننے والے زرائع پر بھی میسر ہے۔

HOUSING SERVICES



Disabled Facilities Grant

An easy to follow guide for customers

Hartlepool Borough Council
Housing Services
Civic Centre
Hartlepool
TS24 8AY



Disabled Facilities Grant

If you or someone you **live with is disabled**, a **Disabled Facilities Grant (DFG)** may help pay for an **adaptation**.

A DFG is money from the council to adapt the home of a person with a disability to enable them to continue to live there. A grant is offered when Hartlepool Borough Council considers that the changes are necessary and appropriate to meet specific needs and that the work proposed is considered reasonable and practicable.

DFGs are mandatory grants for essential adaptations to give disabled people support to live as independently as possible. The legislation governing DFGs in England and Wales is the 1996 Housing Grants, Construction and Regeneration Act.

Typical works covered by a mandatory grant include:



- installation of stairlifts
- bathroom and kitchen adaptations
- installation of ramps
- extensions

Mandatory DFGs are subject to a maximum of £30,000 per application. The grant is means tested for disabled adults. Means testing for disabled children does not apply.

To begin the process you will first need to contact the Duty Team at the

Council to arrange for an assessment to take place. Once an Occupational Therapist has completed an assessment and found you require specific works to be undertaken via a DFG your case will be passed to the Housing Services department.

You can apply for a DFG if you are:

- The owner of the property. However, you do not need to be the disabled person, for example the parents of a disabled child would make the grant application;
- The tenant of a property.

