

## OFFICIAL EXECUTIVE DECISION NOTICE PUBLISHED BY DEMOCRATIC SERVICES

Notice is hereby given that the following decision(s) have been made today by Cabinet Members at the London Borough of Hillingdon:

Title of decision	CAPITAL RELEASE REPORT (February 2023) DEPARTMENT: Residents Services SERVICE AREA / PROGRAMME: Disabled Facilities Grant (DFG) 2022/23 RELEASE NO: 3
Reference No.	704
Date of decision	Monday 27 March 2023
Call-in expiry date	Monday 3 April 2023
Relevant Select	Property, Highways and Transport Select Committee
Committee	
Relevant Wards	All

## **Decision made**

Cabinet Members making the decision	Councillor Martin Goddard – Cabinet Member for Finance Councillor Jonathan Bianco - Cabinet Member for Property, Highways & Transport
	Approved  That the Cabinet Member for Finance and the Cabinet Member for Property, Highways & Transport agreed to the capital release requests of £485,886 from the Disabled Facilities Grant (DFG) 2022/23 budget for the funding of grants for various adaptations and Hospital discharge grants.
Reason for decision	Disabled Facilities Grants (DFG) are grants the Council is legally required to give under the Housing Grants, Construction and Regeneration Act 1996 for works needed by disabled owner occupiers and private tenants to adapt and improve their homes so that they can continue to live independently. The majority of DFGs are awarded to, or on behalf of, elderly owner-occupiers. A significant minority are also for disabled children. The grants allow the disabled occupier to access all parts of their home and necessary alterations to, or provision of new, facilities thereby enabling as independent a life as possible.
	These grants will help vulnerable residents across the Borough and provide a capital improvement for their wellbeing. The grants will minimise the possibility of hospitalisation resulting from falls and other accidents. This is consistent with the policy of prevention and support to enable individuals to live safely in

	their own homes; the alternative being a long-term residential placement.
Alternative options considered and rejected	None. The Council is legally required to give under the Housing Grants, Construction and Regeneration Act 1996 for works needed by disabled owner occupiers and private tenants to adapt and improve their homes so that they can continue to live independently.
Classification	Part II – Members only and not for publication
Link to associated	That this report be declared as exempt from publication as
report	it involves the disclosure of information in accordance with Section 100(A) and paragraphs 1 and 2 of Part 1 of Schedule 12 (A) to the Local Government Act 1972 (as amended), in that the report contains information relating to an individual or likely to reveal the identity of an individual (including the authority holding that information) and that the public interest in withholding the information outweighs the public interest in disclosing it.
Relevant Officer contact & Directorate	Sarah-Jane Bartlett, Place Directorate
Any interest declared by the Cabinet Member(s) / dispensation granted	N/A

## Implementation of decision & scrutiny call-in

[Internal Use only]	
When can this decision be implemented by officers?	Officers can implement Cabinet Member decision in this notice only from the expiry of the scrutiny call-in period which is:  5pm on Monday 3 April 2023  However, this is subject to the decision not being called in by Councillors on the relevant Select Committee. Upon receipt of a valid call-in request, Democratic Services will immediately advise the relevant officer(s) and the decision must then be put on hold.
Councillor scrutiny call-in of this decision	Councillors on the relevant Select Committee shown in this notice may request to call-in this decision. The request must be before the expiry of the scrutiny call-in period above.  Councillors should use the Scrutiny Call-in App (link below) on their devices to initiate any call-in request. Further advice can be sought from Democratic Services if required:  Scrutiny Call-In - Power Apps (secure)
Further information	These decisions, where applicable, have been taken under The Local Authorities (Executive Arrangements) (Meetings and Access to Information) (England) Regulations 2012.

This is the formal notice by the Council of the above executive decision, including links to the reports where applicable.

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