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To Local authority Chief Executives in:

1. Unitary Authorities
2. Metropolitan Borough Councils
3. County Councils
4. London Boroughs (including the City of London)

CC: District Councils

CC: Foundations, National Body for Home Improvement Agencies

£505 million for the Disabled Facilities Grant (DFG) in 2020-21

Dear Local Authority Chief Executives,

I am pleased to inform you that £505 million will be made available for the DFG in 2020-21, which has been confirmed to us by the Department of Health and Social Care. This is in recognition of Government's continued support to local authorities to help older and disabled people to live independently and safely in their own homes for longer. As in previous years, we intend to make these payments to local authorities in England in May, and details of each local authority's allocation can be found in **Annex B** below. This also includes indicative allocations for each district council in the two-tier areas.

As you know, the DFG is capital funding for the provision of home adaptations to help older and disabled people to live as independently and safely as possible in their homes. Where agreed locally (and in two-tier areas with the express agreement of district councils), a portion of the grant may also be used for wider social care capital projects. A grant determination letter outlining the conditions of grant usage will be issued to local authorities to coincide with the payments being made.

In two-tier areas the main DFG funding will be paid to the Upper-Tier authorities (county councils), while the statutory duty to provide adaptations to the homes of those eligible people who qualify, continues to sit with local housing authorities (district councils). I can confirm that, building on the approach taken in previous years, each area should allocate DFG funding primarily for the provision of home adaptations, and in two-tier areas, unless specific agreement is given by any district council, Upper Tiers must pass down the DFG funding to their district councils in full, and in a timely

manner, to enable the districts to continue to meet their statutory duty. Further details will be set out in the BCF Policy Framework for 2020-21, which will be published shortly.

The Ministry of Housing, Communities and Local Government would also like to draw your attention to Foundations, who are funded by this Department. Foundations is the National Body for Home Improvement Agencies and can offer advice and support to both local authorities and home improvement agencies on the efficient delivery of DFGs, and to local authority commissioners on commissioning local home improvement services. More information can be found at: <https://www-foundations-uk-com/>

Finally, I would like to signpost the Regulatory Reform Order (2002) to local authorities to encourage uptake of locally published RROs. At present we are aware that around 85% of authorities have a locally published RRO policy, but we would like to see this rise to closer to 100% uptake. The RRO gives authorities a general power to introduce local policies for assisting individuals with renewals, repairs and adaptations in their homes through grants or loans. For example, it can provide authorities a vehicle for funding essential repairs to reduce injury and accidents in the home, to ensure homes are adequately heated, and to expand the scope of adaptations available under the DFG legislation. Local authorities can also use the RRO to create assistance schemes which help people meet their needs without going through the full DFG process. Schemes such as these can, for example, provide 'fast track' mechanisms for low level adaptations, which do not require a full social care assessment or means test. If your authority is interested in publishing a local RRO policy, please contact Foundations for help and assistance.

If you have any general questions about your authority's DFG funding in 2020-21 please send them to Disabled.facilitiesgrants@communities.gov.uk.

Regards,



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DISABLED FACILITIES GRANT ALLOCATIONS 2020-21

Tier 1 Authorities	2020/21 Allocations
Cambridgeshire	£4,467,928
Cambridge	£746,881
East Cambridgeshire	£608,184
Fenland	£1,070,614
Huntingdonshire	£1,315,029
South Cambridgeshire	£727,221
Cumbria	£6,284,315
Allerdale	£1,214,265
Barrow-in-Furness	£1,242,491
Carlisle	£1,899,764
Copeland	£714,771
Eden	£477,740
South Lakeland	£735,284
Derbyshire	£6,960,719
Amber Valley	£1,281,883
Bolsover	£999,472
Chesterfield	£1,208,957
Derbyshire Dales	£530,326
Erewash	£936,182
High Peak	£489,109
North East Derbyshire	£722,417
South Derbyshire	£792,375
Devon	£7,266,863
East Devon	£1,349,522
Exeter	£858,523
Mid Devon	£720,795
North Devon	£979,268
South Hams	£775,187
Teignbridge	£1,328,793
Torridge	£746,953
West Devon	£507,822

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Dorset County	£3,659,664
East Dorset	£826,145
North Dorset	£471,750
Purbeck	£433,965
West Dorset	£992,920
Weymouth and Portland	£934,884
East Sussex	£7,159,553
Eastbourne	£1,546,926
Hastings	£1,812,584
Lewes	£1,080,405
Rother	£1,625,876
Wealden	£1,093,762
Essex	£10,474,954
Basildon	£1,267,929
Braintree	£931,069
Brentwood	£370,282
Castle Point	£732,741
Chelmsford	£970,881
Colchester	£1,279,778
Epping Forest	£855,956
Harlow	£798,153
Maldon	£539,488
Rochford	£475,968
Tendring	£2,045,092
Uttlesford	£207,619
Gloucestershire	£6,030,346
Cheltenham	£902,940
Cotswold	£1,170,291
Forest of Dean	£879,755
Gloucester	£1,125,384
Stroud	£727,679
Tewkesbury	£1,224,297
Hampshire	£12,561,045
Basingstoke and Deane	£1,377,158
East Hampshire	£1,489,813

Eastleigh	£1,163,139
Fareham	£757,036
Gosport	£795,489
Hart	£738,645
Havant	£1,756,631
New Forest	£1,125,419
Rushmoor	£1,060,510
Test Valley	£1,212,262
Winchester	£1,084,944
Hertfordshire	£7,283,182
Broxbourne	£743,767
Dacorum	£870,316
East Hertfordshire	£680,871
Hertsmere	£691,310
North Hertfordshire	£840,076
St Albans	£683,034
Stevenage	£746,540
Three Rivers	£586,315
Watford	£675,859
Welwyn Hatfield	£765,094
Kent	£16,882,585
Ashford	£909,625
Canterbury	£1,188,396
Dartford	£602,440
Dover	£1,298,504
Gravesham	£1,037,911
Maidstone	£1,328,182
Sevenoaks	£1,148,482
Folkestone & Hythe	£1,326,767
Swale	£2,570,919
Thanet	£3,015,899
Tonbridge and Malling	£1,184,711
Tunbridge Wells	£1,270,749
Lancashire	£14,731,268
Burnley	£2,399,450
Chorley	£774,675
Fylde	£1,090,401
Hyndburn	£965,897

Lancaster	£1,889,809
Pendle	£973,703
Preston	£1,481,033
Ribble Valley	£346,368
Rossendale	£1,022,385
South Ribble	£682,271
West Lancashire	£1,272,147
Wyre	£1,833,127
Leicestershire	£3,919,459
Blaby	£585,028
Charnwood	£992,908
Harborough	£451,561
Hinckley and Bosworth	£510,231
Melton	£303,802
North West Leicestershire	£670,314
Oadby and Wigston	£405,615
Lincolnshire	£6,148,560
Boston	£557,628
East Lindsey	£1,797,485
Lincoln	£750,881
North Kesteven	£802,480
South Holland	£680,721
South Kesteven	£859,556
West Lindsey	£699,809
Norfolk	£8,070,995
Breckland	£1,171,850
Broadland	£893,405
Great Yarmouth	£1,188,068
King's Lynn and West Norfolk	£1,571,235
North Norfolk	£1,193,858
Norwich	£1,140,032
South Norfolk	£912,547
Northamptonshire	£4,513,005
Corby	£518,331
Daventry	£428,429
East Northamptonshire	£508,259
Kettering	£647,698

Northampton	£1,407,050
South Northamptonshire	£419,781
Wellingborough	£583,457
North Yorkshire	£4,507,917
Craven	£556,818
Hambleton	£477,134
Harrogate	£727,721
Richmondshire	£272,249
Ryedale	£583,807
Scarborough	£1,446,593
Selby	£443,595
Nottinghamshire	£6,950,696
Ashfield	£922,788
Bassetlaw	£1,167,487
Broxtowe	£867,198
Gedling	£1,048,082
Mansfield	£1,256,409
Newark and Sherwood	£1,021,695
Rushcliffe	£667,037
Oxfordshire	£5,868,351
Cherwell	£1,092,792
Oxford	£1,252,746
South Oxfordshire	£1,366,451
Vale of White Horse	£1,444,470
West Oxfordshire	£711,891
Somerset CC	£4,365,069
Mendip	£889,785
Sedgemoor	£962,833
South Somerset	£1,238,632
Somerset West and Taunton	£1,273,819
Staffordshire	£8,817,994
Cannock Chase	£926,471
East Staffordshire	£1,022,684
Lichfield	£977,562
Newcastle-under-Lyme	£1,511,575
South Staffordshire	£992,957

Stafford	£1,341,408
Staffordshire Moorlands	£1,563,346
Tamworth	£481,989
Suffolk CC	£6,170,607
Babergh	£670,029
Ipswich	£1,205,089
Mid Suffolk	£615,135
West Suffolk	£1,281,922
East Suffolk	£2,398,432
Surrey	£8,950,616
Elmbridge	£861,053
Epsom and Ewell	£692,090
Guildford	£710,262
Mole Valley	£781,577
Reigate and Banstead	£1,133,996
Runnymede	£770,460
Spelthorne	£831,303
Surrey Heath	£779,111
Tandridge	£460,387
Waverley	£751,424
Woking	£1,178,953
Warwickshire	£4,516,609
North Warwickshire	£700,267
Nuneaton and Bedworth	£1,456,056
Rugby	£632,119
Stratford-on-Avon	£847,346
Warwick	£880,821
West Sussex	£8,297,661
Adur	£652,378
Arun	£1,673,053
Chichester	£1,516,963
Crawley	£927,566
Horsham	£1,237,206
Mid Sussex	£1,025,094
Worthing	£1,265,402
Worcestershire	£5,432,123

Bromsgrove	£913,295
Malvern Hills	£601,836
Redditch	£839,355
Worcester	£687,629
Wychavon	£1,103,362
Wyre Forest	£1,286,646
Tier 1 Authorities Total:	£190,292,084

Unitary Authorities and London Boroughs	2019/20 Allocations
Barking And Dagenham	£1,636,536
Barnet	£2,542,210
Barnsley	£2,976,280
Bath And North East Somerset	£1,270,789
Bedford	£1,243,320
Bexley	£2,613,112
Birmingham	£11,407,088
Blackburn With Darwen	£1,876,999
Blackpool	£2,304,619
Bolton	£3,153,289
Bournemouth Christchurch & Poole	£3,100,781
Bracknell Forest	£853,469
Bradford	£4,527,491
Brent	£4,685,921
Brighton And Hove	£2,038,449
Bristol, City Of	£3,109,627
Bromley	£2,152,696
Buckinghamshire Council	£3,583,439
Bury	£1,830,172
Calderdale	£2,673,074
Camden	£922,516
Central Bedfordshire	£1,698,077
Cheshire East	£2,064,279
Cheshire West And Chester	£3,250,597
City Of London	£32,689
Cornwall	£6,652,704
County Durham	£6,158,831
Coventry	£3,685,430

Croydon	£2,637,527
Darlington	£937,154
Derby	£2,047,589
Doncaster	£2,451,971
Dudley	£5,679,451
Ealing	£3,282,472
East Riding Of Yorkshire	£2,719,960
Enfield	£3,292,570
Gateshead	£1,860,611
Greenwich	£2,517,810
Hackney	£1,525,299
Halton	£1,757,984
Hammersmith And Fulham	£1,318,109
Haringey	£2,360,942
Harrow	£1,517,250
Hartlepool	£1,076,870
Havering	£1,812,714
Herefordshire, County Of	£1,999,424
Hillingdon	£4,504,510
Hounslow	£2,643,609
Isle Of Wight	£2,002,408
Isles Of Scilly	£25,862
Islington	£1,709,575
Kensington And Chelsea	£845,918
Kingston Upon Hull, City Of	£2,533,171
Kingston Upon Thames	£1,339,715
Kirklees	£3,193,921
Knowsley	£2,420,693
Lambeth	£1,479,227
Leeds	£7,302,720
Leicester	£2,391,923
Lewisham	£1,338,708
Liverpool	£7,503,889
Luton	£1,417,554
Manchester	£7,476,077
Medway	£2,177,470
Merton	£1,279,883
Middlesbrough	£1,998,957
Milton Keynes	£1,117,331
Newcastle Upon Tyne	£2,399,392
Newham	£2,510,077
North East Lincolnshire	£2,838,604

North Lincolnshire	£2,280,050
North Somerset	£2,081,237
North Tyneside	£1,647,220
Northumberland	£2,933,884
Nottingham	£2,439,908
Oldham	£2,065,201
Peterborough	£1,970,984
Plymouth	£2,479,859
Portsmouth	£1,815,258
Reading	£1,055,248
Redbridge	£2,140,914
Redcar And Cleveland	£1,577,780
Richmond Upon Thames	£1,697,204
Rochdale	£2,632,865
Rotherham	£2,700,150
Rutland	£238,183
Salford	£3,084,633
Sandwell	£4,167,539
Sefton	£4,250,963
Sheffield	£4,502,097
Shropshire	£3,209,291
Slough	£1,005,311
Solihull	£2,189,967
South Gloucestershire	£2,061,494
South Tyneside	£1,690,787
Southampton	£2,215,050
Southend-On-Sea	£1,516,820
Southwark	£1,486,043
St. Helens	£2,774,199
Stockport	£2,543,381
Stockton-On-Tees	£1,590,490
Stoke-On-Trent	£3,034,932
Sunderland	£3,574,130
Sutton	£1,593,249
Swindon	£1,151,362
Tameside	£2,511,180
Telford And Wrekin	£2,033,004
Thurrock	£1,162,050
Torbay	£1,876,070
Tower Hamlets	£2,045,288
Trafford	£2,176,858
Wakefield	£3,825,582

Walsall	£3,704,013
Waltham Forest	£2,081,964
Wandsworth	£1,551,147
Warrington	£1,958,612
West Berkshire	£1,820,120
Westminster	£1,523,990
Wigan	£4,013,889
Wiltshire	£3,273,126
Windsor And Maidenhead	£909,645
Wirral	£4,163,057
Wokingham	£948,004
Wolverhampton	£3,147,482
York	£1,293,767
Unitary Authorities & London Boroughs Total:	£314,707,916
Overall Total for DFG in 2020-21:	£505,000,000