

REPORT TO:	HOUSING AND COMMUNITY SERVICES	AGENDA ITEM: 9
DATE OF MEETING:	7th JULY 2020	CATEGORY: (See Notes) DELEGATED or RECOMMENDED
REPORT FROM:	STRATEGIC DIRECTOR SERVICE DELIVERY	OPEN
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SUBJECT:	Disabled Facilities Grants	
WARD(S) AFFECTED:	ALL	TERMS OF REFERENCE: (See Notes)

1.0 Recommendations

- 1.1 That the Committee retrospectively approves the amendment of Section 8.1 of the Private Sector Housing Assistance Policy, to allow for eligible adaptations under the value of £6000 to be agreed without the need for the Test of Financial Resources to further improve the timely delivery of the service. This is following the Chief Executive's prior approval under his delegated authority during the suspension of Council and Committee meetings due to the pandemic.
- 1.2 That the Committee retrospectively approves the procurement of suitable software to support the more efficient delivery of adaptations, up to the value of £12,000. This is following the Chief Executive's prior approval under his delegated authority during the suspension of Council and Committee meetings due to the pandemic.

2.0 Purpose of the Report

- 2.1 The purpose of this report is to seek the retrospective ratification of the decisions made by the Chief Executive attached in the report at Appendix A.

3.0 Executive Summary

- 3.1 Following suggestions from Councillors and recommendations from the Council's internal auditors a number of further improvements to the Disabled Facilities Grants Service have been identified. The proposals contained within the report at Appendix A are designed to deliver these improvements and were, as a result of Committees being suspended as a result of the Coronavirus Pandemic, approved by the Chief Executive under his delegated powers on 25th May 2020.

4.0 Detail

4.1 The detailed report, and recommendations are attached at Appendix A.

5.0 Financial Implications

5.1 The financial Implications of this decision are attached at Appendix A.

6.0 Corporate Implications

Employment Implications

6.1 There are no employment implications of this report.

Legal Implications

6.2 There are no direct legal implications of this report

Corporate Plan Implications

6.3 The Corporate Plan Implications of this report are attached at Appendix A

Risk Impact

6.4 The Risk Impact Implications of this report are attached at Appendix A

7.0 Community Impact

Consultation

7.1 The Consultation implications of this report are attached at Appendix A.

Equality and Diversity Impact

7.2 The Equality and Diversity Impact implications of this report are attached at Appendix A

Social Value Impact

7.3 The Social Value Impact implications of this report are attached at Appendix A

Environmental Sustainability

7.4 The environmental sustainability impact implications of this report are attached at Appendix A.

8.0 Conclusions

8.1 That the detailed report at Appendix A is accepted by the Committee.

9.0 Background Papers

Notes:

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