

SCRUTINY REVIEW OF DISABLED FACILITIES GRANT

Summary

The second evidence-gathering session for the Committee's review of Disabled Facilities Grant will focus on external bodies associated with this scrutiny topic, the experiences of other Local Authorities, and the 2023/24 Annual Report.

Detail

1. As part of the scoping process for this review, in addition to the Stockton-on-Tees Borough Council (SBC) departments with oversight and involvement in the provision of Disabled Facilities Grants, the Committee identified representatives from other local authorities to provide evidence in relation to this scrutiny topic.
2. Foundations is the national body that supports the delivery of Disabled Facilities Grant and Home Improvement Agencies in England. Details of the support that they provide can be found on their website, <https://www.foundations.uk.com/> The Senior Regional Advisor for Foundations has been invited to the meeting to give not only their views on SBC's policy, which members considered at the June meeting, but to also share best practice from other local authorities.
3. In addition, the Committee will consider the Disabled Facilities Grant 2023/24 Annual Report, which shows how the policy was implemented in the previous year. A copy of this is included in preparation for this discussion.
4. A copy of the agreed scope and plan for this review is also included for information.

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