



# Stockton-on-Tees

## BOROUGH COUNCIL

Housing Investment and Migration Support

### DFG End of Year Report

### 2023-2024

During 2023/2024 the Council spent **£2,252,770.65** on **400** adaptations for **376** people within the borough. The budget was overspent by **£116,918.25** and had to be met from the overall Housing & FSOT budget (end of year position).

2023/2024 saw a decrease in DFG statistics from 2022/2023, **47 less adaptations** were delivered for **63 less people** within the borough. (2022/2023 spend was £2,311,172.84, £58,402.19 more than 23/24)

These adaptations are broken down into DFG's and Equipment Loans (which we recycle when no longer needed)

#### Financial Breakdown

	Completions	Cost	% of Budget
DFG	161	£ 1,041,188.58	46%
Stairlift Loans	141	£ 548,246.12	24%
Ramp Loans	74	£ 229,085.39	10%
<b>Total Cost of Adaptations in 2023/2024</b>	<b>376</b>	<b>£ 1,818,520.09</b>	<b>81%</b>
Team Costs & Abortive Costs		£ 226,000.00	10%
Other cost incurred within year*		£ 208,249.96	9%
<b>TOTAL SPEND 2023/2024</b>		<b>£ 2,252,770.05</b>	<b>100%</b>
<b>Over Spend</b>		<b>£ 116,918.25</b>	

\*part payments on adaptations

#### DFG Information

185 Adaptations installed to 161 homes.

DFG Breakdown	Amount	%
Level Entry Showers	127	69%
Stairlifts	8	4%
Ramps	5	3%
Wash / Dry Toilets	10	5%
Extension	7	4%
Through Floor Lift	5	3%
Fencing	4	2%



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Dropped Kerb	4	2%
Door Entry System	4	2%
Door Widening	3	2%
Shower Over Bath	2	1%
Step Lift	1	1%
Shower Pod	1	1%
Bath	1	1%
Safe Space/Wall Padding	1	1%
Garden Safety	1	1%
Safety Gates	1	1%
	<b>185</b>	<b>100%</b>

	DFG	%
<b>Owner Occupier</b>	86	<b>53%</b>
<b>Registered Provider</b>	57	<b>35%</b>
<b>Privately Rented</b>	18	<b>11%</b>
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>161</b>	<b>100%</b>

28 of the 161 were fast-tracks (urgent cases that are dealt with immediately).

The average time taken for DFG's to be processed from first enquiry to completion of works was **137 Days** an increase of **14 days** from 23/24.

**18** residents had to contribute towards their DFG ranging from **£281.81 to £41,626.80**.

**3** residents accessed the council's loan schemes to enable them to received their DFG adaptation.

**6** residents received the maximum grant available of £30,000 – All 6 were approved for extensions.

The average DFG grant was **£6,911.33** an **increase of £334.94** from 22/23.

The amount of people on the waiting list at the end of March 2024 was 181 people, the person at the top joined the list in June 2023 (9 months).

### Equipment Loan Scheme Information

#### Stair Lift Loans

		%
<b>Owner Occupier</b>	108	<b>77%</b>
<b>Registered Provider</b>	14	<b>10%</b>
<b>Privately Rented</b>	19	<b>13%</b>
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>141</b>	<b>100%</b>



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The average time taken for Stair Lift Loans to be processed from first enquiry to completion of works was **44 days, 11 days less** than 22/23.

The average Stair Lift Loan was **£3,888.27, £773.10 more** than last year's average.

#### Ramp Loans

<b>Owner Occupier</b>	56	<b>76%</b>
<b>Registered Provider</b>	6	<b>8%</b>
<b>Privately Rented</b>	12	<b>16%</b>
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>74</b>	<b>100%</b>

The average time taken for Ramp Loans to be processed from first enquiry to completion of works was **53 days, 3 days more** than 22/23.

The average Ramp Loan was **£3,095.75** which is **£ £260.72 more** than 22/23.

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