

# Astral PS Freedom of Information Request

## Disabled Facilities Grants

This freedom of information request is asking about your local authority's delivery of Disabled Facilities Grants (DFGs) in the financial years of 2017/18 and 2018/19.

Please include in your totals any discretionary grants awarded where you have a policy published under the Regulatory Reform Order (Housing Assistance) 2002 (This allows you significant discretion in how you choose to deliver adaptations using your DFG allocation from the government).

## Local Authority Details

|  |                       |
|--|-----------------------|
| 1. Name of Local Authority   | Eden District Council |
| 2. Type of Local Authority   | District Council      |
| 3. Do you have a current policy published under the Regulatory Reform Order (Housing Assistance) 2002? | Yes                   |
| 4. Does this policy give you discretion in how you spend your DFG funding?                             | Yes                   |

## Inputs

| Budgets  | 2017-2018   | 2018-2019   |
|--|-------------|-------------|
| 5. Carry forward from previous year                                  | £54,543.29  | £14,920.40  |
| 6. Plus allocation from government                                   | £250,000    | £442,000    |
| 7. Plus additional local funding (including any shared by other LAs) | N/A         | N/A         |
| 8. Less spend on other social care projects (or given to other LAs)  | £28,000     | £28,000     |
| 9. Less carry over to the following year                             | £14,920.40  | £149,339.26 |
| 10. The total budget for DFG/adaptations                             | £261,622.89 | £279,581.14 |

## Staffing

11. Estimated number of full time equivalent staff directly involved in delivering works funded by the total budget for DFG/adaptations (as detailed above). For the purposes of this question please DO NOT include occupational therapy staff employed by social care or health.

|   |      |      |
|---|------|------|
| 11a. Directly employed by the local authority                                 | 1.25 | 1.25 |
| 11b. Employed by a contractor (and any subcontractors) to the local authority | 0.25 | 0.25 |

## Activities

| Number of Grants Approved | 2017-2018 | 2018-2019 |
|---------------------------|-----------|-----------|
|---------------------------|-----------|-----------|

### 12. Number of grants approved by tenure of applicant

|                      |    |    |
|----------------------|----|----|
| 12a. Owner Occupiers | 15 | 19 |
| 12b. Private Tenants | 11 | 4  |
| 12c. Social Tenants  | 19 | 30 |
| 12d. Other           | 0  | 0  |

### 13. Number of grants approved by age of the disabled person

|                   |    |    |
|-------------------|----|----|
| 13a. 17 and under | 1  | 4  |
| 13b. 18 to 64     | 21 | 23 |
| 13c. 65 and over  | 23 | 26 |

### 14. By total value of grant approved

|                         |    |    |
|-------------------------|----|----|
| 14a. Under £5,000       | 25 | 38 |
| 14b. £5,000 to £15,000  | 14 | 14 |
| 14c. £15,000 to £30,000 | 6  | 1  |
| 14d. Over £30,000       | 0  | 0  |

## Outputs

|  | 2017-2018 | 2018-2019 |
|--|-----------|-----------|
|--|-----------|-----------|

15. Highest and lowest value of an individual grant awarded during the year

|                                   |            |            |
|-----------------------------------|------------|------------|
| 15a. Highest value grant approved | £29,098.00 | £18,203.00 |
| 15b. Lowest value grant approved  | £1,138.49  | £1,711.00  |

16. Timescales - Average (mean) number of calendar days

|  |    |    |
|--|----|----|
| 16a. Between full grant application and grant approval (for all grant approvals) | 15 | 2  |
| 16b. Between grant approval and completion (for all grant completions)           | 99 | 68 |

|   |    |    |
|---|----|----|
| 17. Total number of homes with completed adaptations funded with your budget (from Q10) | 45 | 53 |
|---|----|----|

Please return this form to [surveys@astralps.co.uk](mailto:surveys@astralps.co.uk)