



HomeKey+

Relocation Grant

We know needing support can be overwhelming. Please get in touch and we will guide you through the process and help you to make the changes you need to improve how you live in your home.

The Relocation Grant is offered subject to available funds, to assist with the costs of moving house, if it is more cost effective and will achieve better outcomes than adapting the existing property.

Eligibility criteria

Applicant:

- Anyone over the age of 18 with a qualifying owner's interest in the property (it may not be the disabled occupant themselves).
- Subject to a Test of Resources in accordance with the Housing Grants, Construction and Regeneration Act 1996. They may have an assessed contribution towards the works. If an assessed contribution is more than the cost of the move, or the grant maximum, they would not qualify for a Relocation Grant.
- Where the disabled person is in receipt of a means-tested benefit, the Test of Resources does not apply.
- Where the relocation is for a disabled child under the age of 16, or a young person in full-time education under the age of 20, the Test of Resources does not apply.

- The disabled person must intend to live in the new property for at least five years (this can be shorter in some circumstances).

Property:

- The new property must be approved by an Occupational Therapist as being able to meet the long-term needs of the disabled person.
- The property must only require minimal adaptations (as confirmed by the Occupational Therapist), if any.
- The new property must be intended to be the only or main residence of the disabled person.



The Relocation Grant will fund:

- Estate Agent fees
- Solicitor fees
- Survey costs
- Removal Company costs
- Appliance reconnection costs.

Grant amount:

The maximum Relocation Grant is £5,000.

Summary of conditions:

- An Occupational Therapist must confirm that a Relocation Grant to help facilitate the disabled person to move house is the most appropriate and cost-effective option, rather than adapt the existing property.
- The Occupational Therapist must confirm that the new property will meet the long-term needs of the disabled person and the wider family, and that minimal adaptations, if any, are required to the new property.
- A DFG of up to £5,000 will be available for adaptations required at the new property.
- A local land charge is secured against the property, and repayment may be requested if the property is disposed of within 10 years, depending upon the reason for the disposal.



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If your home needs other repairs or maintenance you could make use of our handyman service. Self-funded work is also an option for homeowners where grants or loans are not applicable.

HomeKey+ is an accredited Home Improvement Agency (HIA) service

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