



**Department for
Communities and
Local Government**

**INTEGRATION AND BETTER CARE FUND: THE DISABLED FACILITIES CAPITAL
GRANT DETERMINATION 2017-18 [31/3059]**

The Parliamentary Under Secretary of State (Minister for Local Government) ("the Minister") in exercise of the powers conferred by section 31 of the Local Government Act 2003 hereby makes the following determination:

Citation

1. This Determination may be cited as the Disabled Facilities Capital Grant Determination (2017-18) [31/3059].

Purpose of the grant

2. The purpose of this grant is to provide support to Tier 1 and Tier 2 authorities in England towards capital expenditure lawfully incurred or to be incurred by them.

Determination

3. The Minister determines as the Tier 1 and Tier 2 authorities to which grant is to be paid and the amount of grant to be paid, the authorities and the amounts set out in Annex B.

Grant conditions

4. Pursuant to section 31 (4) of the Local Government Act 2003, the Minister of State determines that the grant will be paid subject to the conditions set out in Annex A to this determination.

Treasury consent

5. Before making this determination in relation to local authorities in England, the Minister obtained the consent of the Treasury.

Signed by authority of the Parliamentary Under Secretary of State (Minister for Local Government).

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "J. A. Hall". The letters are cursive and slightly slanted to the right.

John Hall
Deputy Director, Housing Support Division
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Annex A

GRANT CONDITIONS

1. Grant paid to a local authority under this determination may be used only for the purposes that a capital receipt may be used for in accordance with regulations made under section 11 of the Local Government Act 2003 and as provided for in paragraphs 2 and 3 below.
2. Grant paid under this determination is required to be spent in accordance with a BCF spending plan jointly agreed between the local authority and the relevant Clinical Commissioning Groups. This plan must be developed in keeping with the BCF Policy Framework and Planning Guidance, National Condition 1 of which provides specific guidance on the DFG.
3. In accordance with National Condition 1, the amounts named housing authorities must be paid in full, unless otherwise agreed in two-tier areas, are contained in Annex B. In two-tier authority areas, where amounts are paid to Upper-Tier authorities, the amounts specified in Annex B must be passed in full to the named Lower-Tier authorities no later than 30th June 2017, except where with the express agreement of Lower-Tier authorities that any money is to be used for other social care capital projects. Any money paid under this grant determination must only be used for the specific purpose of providing adaptations for disabled people who qualify under the scheme¹ (or any other social care capital projects where otherwise agreed as above).
4. The Chief Executive or Chief Internal Auditor of each of the recipient payment authorities (London Boroughs, Unitary Authorities and Upper Tier Authorities) are required to sign and return to Disabled.facilitiesgrants@communities.gov.uk at the Housing Support Division of the Department for Communities and Local Government a declaration, **to be received no later than 31st October 2017**, in the following terms: "To the best of our knowledge and belief, and having carried out appropriate investigations and checks, in our opinion, in all significant respects, the conditions attached to the **Disabled Facilities Capital Grant Determination (2017-18) No [31/3059]** have been complied with".
5. If an authority fails to comply with any of the conditions and requirements of paragraphs 1, 2, 3 and 4 the Minister of State may-
 - a) reduce, suspend or withhold grant; or

¹ Disabled facilities grants made under the Housing Grants, Construction and Regeneration Act 1996.

- b) by notification in writing to the authority, require the repayment of the whole or any part of the grant.
6. Any sum notified by the Minister of State under paragraph 5(b) shall immediately become repayable to the Minister.

Annex B (edited to show only Leicestershire)

DISABLED FACILITIES GRANT ALLOCATIONS 2017-18

Leicestershire	£3,349,869
Blaby	£499,481
Charnwood	£846,293
Harborough	£385,744
Hinckley and Bosworth	£439,674
Melton	£259,427
North West Leicestershire	£572,989
Oadby and Wigston	£346,261