



WYCOMBE DISTRICT COUNCIL

Decision taken by Cllr Mrs Julia Langley Cabinet Member for Housing

The Member has taken the following decision.

The decision will take effect on 04 April 2018.

Title

Use of Additional Government Funding to Enable the Installation of a Modular Adaptation Pod, for the Provision of Essential Disabled Facilities

Decision Taken

That approximately £57,000 of additional Government funding be utilised to enable the Installation of a Modular Adaptation Pod incorporating a disabled shower room and bathroom, to provide essential facilities.

Date of Publication

23 March 2018

Reasons for Decision

To utilise the additional Government funding to enable essential disabled facilities to be provided which is not achievable within the current maximum mandatory Disabled Facilities Grant limit.

Consultation Undertaken

The additional Government funding has been issued directly to lower tier authorities to be used for the provision of adaptations for disabled people under Part 1 of the Housing Grants, Construction and Regeneration Act 1996 (Disabled Facilities Grants) or social care capital projects.

Use of the funding is not subject to the usual Better Care Fund (BCF) requirements, such as the need for local authorities and clinical commissioning groups to jointly agree how to spend the funding as part of the local BCF plan. This is to ensure that the additional funding is able to be spent by the end of the current financial year. Therefore wider consultation on the use of the additional funding is not required.

Planning consent has been sought and Planning have been fully briefed on the proposal and are aware of the requirement for the funding to be spent before the end of the current financial year. A previous planning application for an extension of traditional construction to provide the essential disabled facilities has been approved

and as there has been no change in circumstances, it is anticipated that consent will be granted.

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