

The Disabled Facilities Grant (DFG) is only available for **“disabled people with eligible needs, assessed by an occupational therapist, and who are financially eligible through passporting benefits or following a means test.”**

## The following information relates to situations where:

- **You wish to carry out alternative or additional works** to the design or schedule of work determined as reasonable and practicable by the Eastleigh Borough Council Grants Officer

## In such circumstances it will be your responsibility to:

- provide and pay for any architect drawings or structural calculations to determine your preferred plan of works.

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- draw up a schedule of work (if not provided by an architect).

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- obtain at least two quotes for your schedule.

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- provide your preferred contractors, details for setting up on Council's finance system. (where a contractor on the Council's list is not used)

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Our Grants Officer will review your prepared schedule of work against that of the Council to determine what items are eligible for grant funding. These will then be confirmed, as well as the grant funded amount that would potentially be given, as contribution to your total cost. It will be your responsibility to source funding for any remaining amount required for your preferred plan of works and this must be confirmed as in place before any grant funding can be submitted by the Grants Officer for approval.

Payments will be made directly to the contractor on receipt of valid invoice on completion of part or all of the works, and the Grants Officer has found the works to be satisfactory and to have met the assessed eligible needs.

The Council can give you, upon request, a contractors list/ company or suppliers details that you may find helpful when planning and costing your choice of works.

**NB: No works can be funded retrospectively.**

**Where a client has chosen to carry out different works to the design or schedule of work determined by the Grants Officer and/or have chosen to use a contractor not the Council held list, The Council:**

- **will not be liable for any matters overlooked**
- **will not be liable for issues arising from the chosen design or quality of the work once undertaken**
- **will not project manage or oversee works, but will sign off eligible works for payment.**