Housing Adaptations Service Standards

Figure 2 - Definitions of different types of Housing Adaptations

Category	Nature of Work Required	Example of Work	Funding Source
Small Adaptions adaptations are inexpensive items, which can be provided very quickly. It would generally fit into the description of 'immediate falls prevention' or 'urgent for hospital discharge' and can be assessed and installed within days or the same day if urgent. It can be identified by a number of health/ social services/ other appropriately trained staff e.g. RSL staff, Care and Repair Staff.	 Minor home modification required Not a specialised solution No building/planning approval required Adjustable / Flexible Simple & Intuitive Minimal maintenance and/or servicing 	 Grab rails Stair rails Small ramps Accessible taps Key safes Mop stick hand rails Outdoor rails External / staircase lights Additional electrical sockets. 	 ENABLE RRAP RSL Funds LA own funds Self-funded
Medium Adaptations anything which is not classed as small or large.	 Major home modification may be required, but building/planning approval not required. 	 Walk in shower Stair lifts Large ramps A combination of adaptations installed as one job 	 ENABLE RSL Funds LA own funds Physical Adaptation Grants (PAG) Disabled Facility Grant (DFG)s Self-funded
Large Adaptations these are works which will require specialist assessments, statutory approvals and major adaptations to a property such as extensions and through floor lifts. An Occupational Therapists assessment will be required and planning permission may be needed.	 Major home modification / structural change required Specialised / Innovative solutions required Building / planning approval required Fixed / permanent / long term Complex / unfamiliar / requires training & supervision Solution requires expertise for installation and maintenance 	 Building an extension to provide a downstairs bedroom and/or bathroom Through floor lift Significant internal structural modifications e.g. relocate bathroom or kitchen 	 Disabled Facilities Grant Physical Adaptations Grants RSL Funds LA own funds Self-funded