



## RECORD OF OFFICER DECISION

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Record of decision taken by the Head of Housing and Community Services.

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<b>NAME OF OFFICER MAKING DECISION (INCLUDING JOB TITLE) AND THE DECISION BEING MADE</b>	<p>Charlotte Hudson Head of Housing and Community Services</p> <p>To consider representation to waive repayment of part of the disabled facilities grant following the sale a property</p>
<b>TITLE OF REPORT</b>	Request for Waiver of Repayment of Disabled Facilities Grants- 18/500415/SWDFG
<b>DATE THE DECISION WAS TAKEN</b>	23/08/2024
<b>SUMMARY OF REASONS FOR DECISION</b>	<p><b>Decision made – Request to waive repayment - GRANTED</b></p> <p>A request has been received for the Council to consider waiving the repayment of a Disabled Facilities Grant for £3,819.33, as the property has been sold to fund the care costs for the grant recipient who has been placed into a care home due to deteriorating health.</p> <p>Approved waiver of repayment in full. The Council recognises that the sale of the property was necessitated by the recipient's deteriorating physical and mental health, and the need to fund permanent nursing care. The repayment of the grant would place an undue financial burden on the recipient's family, who are already bearing significant care costs.</p>
<b>BACKGROUND</b>	<p>DELEGATED DECISION from Cabinet 27 August 2008.</p> <p>Where representations are received from grant recipients requesting the Council should waive repayment of their disabled facilities grant, the individual cases are to be considered by the Head of Housing and Community Services) to determine the amount, if any, to repay.</p>
<b>DETAILS OF ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS CONSIDERED AND REJECTED</b>	<p>To require full or partial repayment of the grant. These options were rejected due to the financial hardship it would cause and the compelling reasons related to the recipient's health and care needs.</p>

<b>DETAILS OF ANY CONSULTATION UNDERTAKEN</b>	Consultation with the Cabinet Member for Housing. Considered representations received on behalf of the applicant.
<b>DETAILS OF ANY CONFLICTS OF INTERESTS</b>	None
<b>CONTACT FOR ENQUIRIES/FURTHER INFORMATION</b>	San Nyunt Interim Private Sector Housing Manager
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