

10. SPECIAL NEEDS CAPITAL GRANT

The Special Needs Capital grant contributes to the cost of building or renovating accommodation for people with particular needs. On completion, the project must provide a planned care or support package for clients allowing them to sustain their tenancy or home and remain within the community. The Grant can't be used to cover the cost of providing this additional support.

Scottish Homes has specifically created the Special Needs Capital Grant to encourage more commercial organisations and voluntary groups, independent of the housing association and public sectors, to meet the increasing demand for supported accommodation. However, Care in the Community projects which could be developed without the support of the grant, will not be eligible for funding. Eligible projects are likely to be provided by:

- ? Private developers
- ? Voluntary organisations
- ? Non-registered Housing Associations and Co-operatives
- ? Other special needs providers – eg Special Needs Housing Trusts

The Special Needs Capital Grant can be utilised to build or renovate housing as part of an agreed area based Care in the Community plan or strategy. Projects funded by the Grant will be expected to meet certain needs regarding Care in the Community for at least 10 years.

For further information, a copy of the new leaflet or a discussion about a proposal, contact:

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