

**Galway City Quarterly Update on the implementation of the
Galway City Strategic Plan for Housing People with a Disability 2021 – 2026
Quarter 3 2023**

**Needs in Owner
Occupied Homes**

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Housing Grant Scheme for Private Homes

In 2022 Galway City Council received a combined capital allocation of **€1,172,629** under the Housing Adaptation Grants for Older People and People with a Disability scheme for private homes. Of this €938,103 (80%) was Exchequer funding and €234,526 matching local authority funding (20%). In total 190 grants were completed and awarded under the three schemes with a combined expenditure of €1,172,629.

Private Homes Grant Type	Number of Grants Awarded	2022 €
Housing Adaptation Grant	62	€448,030
Mobility Aid Grants	5	€19,880
Housing Aid for Older People	123	€704,719
TOTAL	190	€1,172,629

2023

Under the Housing Adaptation Grants for Older People and People with a Disability scheme for private homes for 2023 Galway City Council has received a combined capital allocation of **€1,176,336**. Of this €941,069 (80%) was Exchequer funding and €235,267 matching local authority funding (20%).

Private Homes Grant Type	Grants Awarded Q3 2023	Q3 2023 €
Housing Adaptation Grant	43	€379,388
Mobility Aid Grants	9	€27,520
Housing Aid for Older People	107	€638,408
TOTAL	159	€1,045,316

**Needs in Local
Authority Homes**
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Housing Grant Schemes for Local Authority Homes

In 2022 Galway City Council received an allocation of **€841,838** under the 2022 Disabled Persons Grants / IWIL schemes. Of this €757,654 (80%) was Exchequer funding and €84,184 matching local authority funding (20%). Funds were allocated across a range of adaptations to local authority homes, depending on requirements, and included for the installation of wet rooms, ground floor bathrooms, sensory rooms, ramps and railings, stair lifts, kitchen and bathroom modifications. Adaptation works were completed to 19 local authority properties in 2022 at a total spend of €346,287.

HGD Local Authority Stock	Total Completed 2022	Total Payments 2022
(HGD LA)	19	€346,287

2023

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Grant Type	Number of Grants Awarded	Q3 2023 €
Housing Adaptation Grant	18	€231,818
TOTAL	18	€231,818

Housing Allocations

Allocations to people with a disability 2022

During 2022, 241 social housing allocations were made to applicants on the waiting list. Of these 74 allocations had a basis of need of disability, broken down as:

Disability Category	2022
Physical	29
Sensory	3
Mental Health	31
Intellectual	11
Unspecified	0
TOTAL	74

Allocations to people with a disability Q2 2023

97 social housing allocations were made to applicants on the waiting list by end Qtr. 3 2023. Of these 38 had a basis of need of disability, with 1 individual having a disability in 2 categories. This is broken down as follows:

Disability Category	No. per Q3 2023
Physical	10
Sensory	7
Mental Health	9
Intellectual	12
Unspecified	0
TOTAL	38

Social Housing Transfer List	Galway City Council Tenants with a Disability requiring Transfer							
	Category	Total						
	Physical	22						
	Sensory	2						
	Mental Health	8						
	Intellectual	13						
	Total	48						
LA Housing Acquisitions for Adaptation	Housing Acquisitions / LA Own Stock for Adaptation 2022							
	Scheme	Project Name	Total Number of Social Units Expected	Target for People with a Disability Units/Accessible Units/Lifetime Homes	Total No. of Accessible Units Delivered.	LA/ Approved Housing Body	Project Status	Projected Substantial Completion Date
	Acquisition & Adaptation	107 Sceilig Ard	1	1 Accessible Unit	1	GCC	Tender stage	Q1 2024
	Acquisition & Adaptation	42 Gaelcarraig Park	1	1 Accessible Unit	1	GCC	Tender stage	Q4 2024
	Acquisition & Adaptation	25 Cluain Ard	1	1 WAU	1	GCC	Allocated	Q1 2023
	Acquisition & Adaptation	136, 137, 138 Gleann Dara	3	3 WAU	3	GCC	Allocated	Q2 2022
	Acquisition & Adaptation	211 Tirellan Heights	1	1 WAU	1	GCC	Allocation Pending	Q4 2022
	Acquisition & Adaptation	23 Rahylin Glebe	1	1 Accessible Unit	1	GCC	Works Complete / Allocated	Q1 2023
	Acquisition & Adaptation	11 St. James Road	1	1 Accessible Unit	1	GCC	Tender Stage	Q2 2024

	Acquisition & Adaptation	10 Bin Sin	1	1 accessible unit	1	GCC	Works completed/ Allocated	Q2 2023
	Acquisition & Adaptation	11/12 Sli Burca	1	1 accessible unit	1	GCC	Works ongoing	Q4 2023
	Acquisition & Adaptation	18 Sli Burca	1	1 Accessible Unit	1	GCC	Works completed/ Allocation pending	Q3 2023
	Acquisition & Adaptation	87 Clareview Park	1	1 Accessible Unit	1	GCC	Works completed/ Allocated	Q1 2023
	Total		13					

Housing Development Construction 2021 – 2025	Housing Construction Programme 2021 – 2025 (note: some schemes are at proposal stage only)							
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	2021							
	SHIP CONSTRUCTION	Ard Cre Phase II, Ballymoneen Road	78	6 Lifetime Homes	GCC	3	Completed	2021
	SHIP/Turnkey	Radharc na Greinne, Monivea Road	54	3 WAU	GCC	3	Completed	2020 / 2021
	Public Private Partnership	Ballyburke, Ballymoneen Road	74	21 Accessible Units	GCC /Torc	7	Completed	2021
CALF Construction	Letteragh Road	64	0	Cluid	7 (of 23 units delivered in 2021)	Completed	23 in 2021 (additional units to complete in 2022)	

	CALF Construction	Creig Ard, Roscam	36	0	Cluid	2	Completed	2020 / 2021
2022								
	CALF Construction	Briarhill	7	0	Co-operative Housing Ireland	0	Completed	Q2 2022
	CALF Construction	Fanan, Letteragh Road	6	0	Tuath	4	Completed	Q3 2022
	CALF Construction	Gaelcarrig, Newcastle	83	0	Respond	18	Completed	Q4 2022
	CALF Construction	Gleann na Mona, Western Distributor Road, Ballymoneen Road	16	0	Cluid	4	Completed	Q4 2022
	CALF Construction	Cuirt Bhoirne, Roscam	12	0	Cluid	2	Completed	Q4 2022
2023								
	CALF Construction	Barr an Uisce, Ballybane Mor	101	6 UD units	Respond	6	Completed	Q3 2023
	SHIP/Turnkey	Garrai Caol, Coast Road, Galway	27 (Phase 1)	0	GCC	5	Completed	Q2 2023
	CALF/Turnkey	111 Upper Newcastle Road	10	10 Accessible Units	Galway Simon Community		Construction	Q4 2024
	CALF Construction	Cappagh Road	16	0	Tuath		Planning Agreed / Proposal	Q3 2023
	Part V LA	Ballymoneen Road / Salthill	28	1	GCC		Construction	Q3 2023

SHIP/Turnkey	Garrai Caol, Coast Road, Galway	26 (Phase 2)	20 Accessible Units	GCC		Construction	Q4 2023
CALF Construction	Leana Mor, Cappagh Road	2 Part V's	0	Respond	2 pending	Construction	Q3 2023
CALF Construction	Cnocan Glas, Letteragh Road	43	0	Cluid		Construction	Q3 2023
SHIP CONSTRUCTION	An Cliathan, Monivea Road, Ballybaan More, Galway	15	3 UD + 12 Accessible Units	GCC		Construction /on site	Q4 2023
SHIP CONSTRUCTION	211A Tirellan	1	1 UD Units	GCC	1 (Offered & Accepted)	Construction /on site	Q2 2024
CALF Turnkey	Garrai Shean, Doughiska	9	0	Co-operative Housing Ireland		Refurb works ongoing	To be completed Q4 2023
CALF Construction	Murrough	32	32 OPD	Tuath		Planning Approved	Q4 2023
2024							
CAS CONSTRUCTION	Cul Garrai, Ragoon	6	6 UD units	Peter Triest Housing Association Ltd		Stage 4 Approved	Q1 2024
SHIP CONSTRUCTION	Garrai Beag, Monivea Road, Ballybaan More, Galway	58	5 Lifetime Homes +1 WAU	GCC		Construction	Q4 2024
CALF Construction	Clybaun Road / Ragoon Road	77	30 OPD	Cluid		Planning Agreed / Proposal	Q2 2024
CALF Construction	Woodquay	27	0	Cluid		Planning Approved	Q3 2024
CAS CONSTRUCTION	111 Upper Newcastle Road	10	10 Accessible Units	Galway Simon Community		Stage 4 approved	Q3 2024

	CAS CONSTRUCTION	Doughiska, Galway	23	6 WAU	Respond		Stage 1 Approved	Q4 2024
	CALF Construction	Tornog	76	40 OPD	Cluid		Pre Planning	Q4 2024
	SHIP CONSTRUCTION	Seamus Quirke Rd	10	3	GCC		Stage 2 Approval/Planning Approved	Q4 2024
2025								
	SHIP CONSTRUCTION	Munster Avenue	4	1	GCC		Stage 1 approved	Q2 2025
	SHIP CONSTRUCTION	Merlin Park Lands	18	4 UD units	GCC		Planning Approved	Q2 2025
	SHIP CONSTRUCTION	17-20 Merchants Road	11	0	GCC		Stage 1 and 2 Approved - ABP	Q2 2025
	SHIP – Social Housing	Bóthar an Chóiste Castlegar, Galway	10	3 UD	GCC		Proposal	2025
	SHIP – Social Housing	Clybaun Road	28	5	GCC		Proposal	2025
	SHIP – Social Housing	Merlin Lane Lands, Doughiska, Galway	50+	11 UD	GCC		Proposal	2025
	SHIP – Social Housing	Castlegar / Tuam Road	100	10	GCC		Proposal	2025
	SHIP – Social Housing	Ballyburke, Galway	84	27 (15 Age Friendly, 2UD, 10 UD+)	GCC		Proposal	2025
	CALF Construction	Bothar an Choiste	170	0	Co-Operative Housing Ireland		Pre-planning	2025

	CALF Construction	Old Monivea Road	101	0	Tuath		Planning Approved	2025
	TOTAL TARGET		1601	276		64		

Galway City Strategic Plan Objectives 2021 - 2025

Each objective listed as part of the Strategic Plan will be reviewed in light of the forthcoming National Disability Strategy (2022 – 2027). This will ensure that objectives and associated actions are underpinned by at least one but often multiple strategic aims of the national strategy. Unless stated otherwise, the objectives and associated actions listed below are ongoing for the duration of the Plan.

Objectives of the Strategic Plan

No.	Objectives	Responsible Organisations	Updates
1.	Continue to establish, understand and map the housing needs of people with disabilities living in the Galway City Council Local Authority area and determine if specific requirements/adaptations are required or accessible/alternative property required	GCC, AHBs	This work is ongoing with Housing Staff – Assessments, Capital, Social Work and HDSG Co-ordinator. HMD Form 1 is a requirement for completion by applicants. The Housing Capital and Housing Services Team work with AHBs and individuals in terms of adaptations and identifying suitable properties. The recent HNA captured the updated medical status using the HMD Form 1. Data from this assessment will be available Qtr. 1 2024.
2.	Compile and maintain a register of wheelchair liveable social housing in the Galway City Area	GCC	Aim to commence Register in Q4 2023.
3.	<p>Ensure that the supply of housing solutions is adequate to meet the needs of people with disabilities in Galway City facilitating delivery of a wide range of housing solutions in existing and innovative supply mechanisms with funding sources determined. This would include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Minimum of 5% fully wheelchair liveable houses are built over the next 5 years - Housing designed to meet the physical, sensory, cognitive or behavioural needs of service users; - Housing incorporating recent innovations in Smart and Assistive Technology around the home, which would offer more opportunities for independence for people with a disability. The inclusion of button and voice activated control systems should be considered, along with the training and maintenance requirements of these systems. 	GCC, AHBs	<p>This will form part of schemes being developed by GCC and AHBs/Part Vs including looking at the infrastructure required for the occupant.</p> <p>Appropriate OT reports are requested in terms of needs ICT have information on this initiative and further liaison is required to deliver on this subject to resources</p>

4.	Ensure that the housing needs of people with disabilities are prioritised in the planning stages of proposed housing projects in terms of design, allocation and management (e.g. Part V arrangements and other proposals)	GCC, AHBs	Ongoing - See above
5.	Instil and maintain practice whereby in multi-unit developments, the design and planning of housing units for people with disabilities is considered first, establishing design parameters for the scheme overall	GCC, AHBs	This is being considered in overall design of developments
6.	Promote and mainstream the concept of universal design and wheelchair liveable housing	All Members of HDSG	Included as an objective in the City Development Plan 2023 - 2029. Presented on universal design made at the National Meeting AFTA West region Working with the OPC to prepare a submission for NTA - Cycling
7.	Ensure that person centred plans are in place for all those moving from institutional residential settings into the community where there is a reasonable expectation of a housing unit becoming available	HSE, Brothers of Charity, Cheshire Homes	Liaison to commence with stakeholders regarding this objective Quarter 3 2023.
8.	Develop interagency protocols to ensure housing delivery in line with effective support services to those who require it (responding as necessary to a variety of contexts) and ensure integration of services in terms of housing provision and support services	All Members of HDSG - HSE & other support providers, GCC & AHB's	To include as an Agenda item for next HDSG meeting
9.	Review and monitor best practice innovative methods/initiatives/projects being implemented that may assist in the delivery of new homes or enable people to remain in their current homes (this may include engaging national awareness campaigns, e.g. Think Ahead, Think Housing Campaign by the IWA)	All Members of HDSG	Commence work with ICT and Communications Officer re updating the GCC website/Social media in raising awareness – Quarter 3 2023.
10	Provide a framework to support the delivery, monitoring and review of agreed actions and review plan in accordance with National Disability Strategy developed in 2021	HDSG	Ongoing
11	Carry out actions as determined by the Housing Subgroup established under the Implementation Framework of the National Housing Strategy for People with a Disability	HDSG	Ongoing with design and new developments

12	Carry out actions in the area of housing and disability as outlined by the <i>Housing for All: A New Housing Plan for Ireland</i> document. This includes Objective 7 of the plan: <i>Increase and improve housing options and supports for people with a disability.</i>	HDSG; GCC	Ongoing with design and new developments
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