

Ageing Successfully In Oxfordshire

Please tick one box below to indicate the District/City service you are providing information on. Please complete a separate form for each service.

Health Promotion	<input type="checkbox"/>	Housing (Delivery of new housing and information and advice)	<input type="checkbox"/>
Recreation Activities	<input type="checkbox"/>	DFGs	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Volunteering	<input type="checkbox"/>	Information	<input type="checkbox"/>
Local Transport	<input type="checkbox"/>	Benefits Advice	<input type="checkbox"/>
Support for Older People's Groups			<input type="checkbox"/>

What organisations are your partners in delivery and how?
<p>County Council – Social & Health Care: DFG referrals are received from Occupational Therapists and proposed works agreed with them. Discretionary loans can also be funded by OCC in cases where costs exceed the DFG grant maximum.</p> <p>County Council – Social & Health Care & Supporting People (SP) both provide funding for the Home Improvement Agency Service.</p> <p>Other funding agencies (such as SAFA & British Legion) provide ad-hoc joint funding on a case-by-case basis.</p>

What are you achieving? What are the outcomes?
<p>Delivered a DFG budget of £910k in 2008-09. This resulted in 140 completed jobs. Practical assistance was provided through our in-house HIA. (£950k budget approved for 2009-10)</p>

What plans do you have to develop the service?
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Prepare a DFG policy which will determine how we manage a demand expected to exceed the available DFG budget and will include alternative approaches to meeting needs.

What joint initiatives or other improvements would you like to see?
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Implementation of schemes to assist clients relocate to more suitable premises, particularly in the RSL sector. This will be increasingly important as financial resources come under pressure.

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