

## **ADAPTATIONS TO YOUR HOME**

Impact Housing has a commitment to provide disabled adaptations to those residents most in need. The purpose of these adaptations is to give continued independence, confidence and dignity to individuals whose environment is no longer suited to their needs.

During 2007 Impact Housing has provided the following adaptations for its tenants:

- 14 over bath showers
- 12 wet floor showers
- 1 stairlift
- 1 specifically designed disabled (adjustable) kitchen
- 46 other adaptations including grabrails, lever handle taps, bannister rails, ramps etc.
- We have also helped 3 tenants apply for grants from the local authority to install stairlifts.

These have been provided all over the County – although predominantly in Allerdale.

### ***How can you get an adaptation carried out?***

You will need to contact your local Adult Social Care Department and ask for an assessment by an Occupational Therapist. You should note that there may be a delay in being seen by an Occupational Therapist as they have quite long waiting lists. A Doctors letter may be acceptable provided it details what your physical disability is and exactly what work is required to assist you.

Once you have been assessed by an Occupational Therapist they will contact Impact if they think you would benefit from any adaptation works. Then, if funds are available, our Adaptations Coordinator will process the request.

If you would like any further information please contact our Adaptations Coordinator at Nook Street, Workington, Cumbria, CA14 4EH. 01900 842147. [GillH@impacthousing.org.uk](mailto:GillH@impacthousing.org.uk)

Adult Social Care telephone numbers:

Cockermouth	01900 325300	Whitehaven	01946 852808
Carlisle	01228 607080	Penrith	01768 24200
Kendal	01539 773315	Egremont	01946 820270
Ulverston	01229 894000	Wigton	01697 366120
Barrow	01229 894000		