

Appendix C – Emergency Home Repair Assistance Priority Assessment

Table A

Applicant	Category of Applicant	Works	Category of Works
Disabled, Over 65 on income related benefits	1	Single item of disrepair leading to a dangerous situation which presents a Category 1 Hazard under HHSRS	A
Disabled, under 65 and on income related benefits	2	Protect the occupants from immediate exposure to dangerous insecure building elements	B
Over 65 on Income related benefits	3	Single item of repair to remedy a situation prejudicial to the occupants health	C
Under 65 and on income related benefits	4	Secure a property from the effects of wind and rain	D
'Vulnerable' due to income level (See current criteria)	5	Works to improve the security of dwellings for repeat victims of crime	E

1. The category of the applicant will be determined from Table A above based on the information supplied by the applicant
2. The category of work in Table A will be assessed on the information given by the applicant.
3. This will give an overall category e.g. Applicant is disabled and over 65 on income-related benefits (Category 1); Works required are an adaptation (Category E); therefore the overall Category is 1E.
4. This overall category is then used to determine the priority score using Table B below:

Table B

	A	B	C	D	E
1	100	90	80	70	60
2	90	81	72	63	54
3	80	72	64	56	48
4	70	63	56	49	42
5	60	54	48	42	36

The priority score is determined by selecting the applicant category and reading across the table until the appropriate work category column is reached and this is the priority score.

Table C

Examples of Works in each Category:

Category of Works	Works	Definition of Work Category
A	Single item of disrepair leading to a dangerous situation	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Category 1 Hazards under HHSRS • Dangerous Electrics – accompanied by NICEIC certificate to confirm • Movement of Foundations – incl. Structural Engineers Report
B	Protect the occupants from immediate exposure to dangerous insecure building elements	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Collapsing floor, ceiling or wall • Fractured lintel over window or door • Defective Roofing • Chimney fractured & spreading
C	Single item of repair to remedy a situation prejudicial to the occupants health	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Lead Piping to water supply ;damp; drainage Issues; • Lack of constant supply of hot & cold running water; • Lack of w.c. & foul drainage; • Evidence of rising, penetrating & condensation damp & mould; • Inadequate working heating system¹ in the main living and sleeping areas; or limited heating provision leading to risk to the health of the occupants • Lack of ventilation resulting in dampness & mould.
D	Secure a property from the effects of wind and rain	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Disrepair resulting in storm-water penetration into the property (incl roof works; 'serious' door & window defects & flood prevention works)
E	Works to improve the security of dwellings for repeat victims of crime	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Possible lighting; locks & alarms – works as detailed by crime prevention officer following at least 2 reported incidents.

The list of items in Table C is not an exclusive list and is to be considered a guide on what may be eligible for Emergency Assistance. Each application for assistance will be considered on an individual basis.

¹ If there is gas central heating present it must be condemned, be beyond economical repair or have a permanent fault resulting in the applicant having no heating and/or hot water before a whole system will be replaced. This must be confirmed by a 'Gas-Care' Registered Engineers report. Where intermittent faults are present repairs will be considered, on a case-by-case basis, following receipt of a 'Gas Care' Registered Engineers report on the system. Grants are not available to properties with fully functioning storage heaters or warm air systems that provide 'whole house' heating regardless of age or model. Grants will not be given if the gas central heating present is working adequately regardless of the age or model. The grant does not provide individual maintenance and upgrade work such as additional radiators, boiler servicing, system flushes or control installations.