

## London Improvement Grant Fund 2017/18

### Examples of items that may be eligible or not eligible for a premises improvement grant

When submitting an application for a premises improvement grant, the contractor needs to identify whether the proposed works may be eligible for a grant in accordance with the NHS (General Medical Services – Premises Costs) Directions 2013 with which all funding must comply.

The applicant should review the list of items that may be eligible for funding in the table below.

This table contains two categories: items that are eligible for funding, identified in the column headed “E” and those that are not eligible for funding that are identified in the column headed “NE”. All items marked as “E” (eligible) will be subject to consideration, while items listed as “NE” (not eligible) **will not be considered** for funding.

If the application falls into the “eligible” category, whilst the contractor may apply for a grant, this does not give an automatic right for funding. The London Improvement Grant Team will make a decision using the criteria set out below, the investment prioritisation strategy, their budgetary targets and the level of funding available.

Improvements to contractor premises in the form of building an extension to the premises, bringing into use rooms not previously used to support delivery of primary medical services or the enlargement of existing rooms (part 2.8.a of NHS (GMS - Premises Costs) Directions 2013)	E	NE
Building an extension to existing premises	✓	
Bringing into NHS primary medical care use areas of existing premises (not previously used for primary medical care purposes)	✓	
Reconfiguration of existing NHS primary medical care areas to improve service provision	✓	

<b>Improving physical access to and within contractor premises, and alterations or additions for Equality Act 2010 compliance (Part 2.8.b of NHS (GMS - Premises Costs) Directions 2013)</b>		
	<b>E</b>	<b>NE</b>
Creation or extension of equality act compliant parking	✓	
Creation of wheelchair and mobility scooter parking	✓	
Installation of wheelchair ramp	✓	
Installation of equality act compliant handrail/s	✓	
Installation of automatic entrance doors	✓	
Installation of equality act compliant reception desk	✓	
Installation of hearing loop	✓	
Installation of equality act compliant internal doors, corridors	✓	
Installation of equality act compliant lift/s	✓	
Upgrade of existing lift/s to equality act lift/s	✓	
Creation of equality act compliant WC/s	✓	
Upgrade/refurbishment of existing WC/s to equality act WC/s	✓	

<b>Improving lighting, ventilation and heating installation (including replacement of other forms of heating by central heating) of contractor premises (part 2.8.c of NHS (GMS - Premises Costs) Directions 2013)</b>		
	<b>E</b>	<b>NE</b>
Creation of additional window/s, roof light/s	✓	
Replacement/ repair of the existing lighting system, fixtures and fittings		✓
Installation of air conditioning throughout		✓
Replacement /repair to the existing air conditioning		✓
Installation of change of air unit in a minor surgery room to meet statutory requirements	✓	
Installation of extractor fan/s	✓	
Installation of ceiling fan/s	✓	
Installation of central heating to replace other forms of heating	✓	
Replacement/ repair to an existing central heating system		✓
Extension of central heating system to an area previously not used for NHS primary medical care i.e. extension to the premises.	✓	

<b>The reasonable extension of telephone facilities within contractor premises (but not the initial purchase or replacement of telephone systems) (Part 2.8.d of NHS (GMS - Premises Costs) Directions 2013)</b>		
	<b>E</b>	<b>NE</b>
Installation of a telephone system		✓
Installation of telephone/data cabling		✓
Extension of existing telephone system/console (owned) – only if associated with new works	✓	
ICT costs other than telephone system		✓
Installation of electronic patient call display	✓	
Installation of audio patient call system	✓	

<b>Provision of car parking (part 2.8.e of NHS (GMS - Premises Costs) Directions 2013)</b>		
	<b>E</b>	<b>NE</b>
Creation of new parking spaces for patient use	✓	
Repair of existing parking spaces		✓
Creation of cycle parking	✓	

<b>The provision of suitable accommodation at the contractor premises to meet the needs of children and elderly or infirm people (part 2.8.f of NHS (GMS - Premises Costs) Directions 2013)</b>		
	<b>E</b>	<b>NE</b>
Creation of baby change unit	✓	
Creation of pram parking	✓	
Creation of mobility scooter parking	✓	
Installation of seating designed for the elderly or infirm (fixed in situ)	✓	

<b>Fabric improvements to contractor premises such as double glazing, security systems and work required for fire precautions and other statutory building requirements (part 2.8.g of NHS (GMS - Premises Costs) Directions 2013)</b>		
	<b>E</b>	<b>NE</b>
Maintenance and repair of premises which is the occupiers responsibility and cost		✓
Installation of double glazing if associated with new works/extension	✓	
Replacement/installation/upgrade of double glazing to existing windows where deterioration has occurred		✓

Fabric improvements to contractor premises such as double glazing, security systems and work required for fire precautions and other statutory building requirements (part 2.8.g of NHS (GMS - Premises Costs) Directions 2013)	E	NE
Installation of intruder alarm system (owned)	✓	
Extension to an existing intruder alarm system – only if associated with new works	✓	
Upgrade/ replacement of an existing intruder alarm system		✓
Installation of "Redcare" provision		✓
Initial installation of panic button system	✓	
Upgrade/ replacement of existing panic button system		✓
Installation of CCTV system		✓
Upgrade/replacement/extension of existing CCTV system		✓
Installation/ upgrade to fire alarm system – only if associated with new works	✓	
Installation/ upgrade of existing fire alarm system		✓
Compliance with fire regulations as recommended by a local fire officer – (e.g. creation of fire exits, installations of fire proof internal doors)	✓	
Soundproofing works to provide patient confidentiality (i.e. replacement door/s)	✓	
Installation of replacement doors other than soundproofing		✓
Installation of approved clinical wash and hand basin/s with associated works (taps/ splash backs) to replace non clinical equivalent/s	✓	
Curtains/blinds		✓
Curtain rails		✓
Curtain tracks/screens (around examination couch) fixed in situ	✓	
Examination couches/lamps		✓
Medical equipment		✓
Replacement floor coverings/skirting in clinical rooms to comply with regulations	✓	
Floor coverings/skirting in existing NHS primary medical care areas other than above		✓
Compliant floor coverings/skirting in areas not previously used for NHS primary medical care	✓	
Waiting room seating, fixed in situ	✓	
Furniture other than above		✓
Signage internal or external		✓
Repairs/ decoration/ maintenance to the interior		✓

<b>Fabric improvements to contractor premises such as double glazing, security systems and work required for fire precautions and other statutory building requirements (part 2.8.g of NHS (GMS - Premises Costs) Directions 2013)</b>		
	<b>E</b>	<b>NE</b>
Repairs/ decoration/ maintenance to the exterior (e.g. repairs to roof, guttering, drainage)		✓
Dry rot/ wood worm treatment		✓
Damp proofing/ underpinning		✓
Landscaping – only if associated with new works	✓	
Works to improve pedestrian/ vehicular access to premise for patient safety	✓	

<b>Refurbishment of a building not previously used for the provision of primary medical services but which is to be used as contractor premises on a temporary basis (part 2.8.h of NHS (GMS - Premises Costs) Directions 2013)</b>		
Applications will be considered as above, however, with the view that the accommodation will be temporary.		

<b>Improvements which are necessary in connection with emergency planning (part 2.8.i of NHS (GMS - Premises Costs) Directions 2013)</b>		
	<b>E</b>	<b>NE</b>
The provision of electronic storage facilities at a location remote from the practice's premises	✓	
The installation of a connection for an emergency generator	✓	

<b>Improvements which are necessary to meet infection control or decontamination requirements at practice premises (part 2.8.j of NHS (GMS - Premises Costs) Directions 2013)</b>		
	<b>E</b>	<b>NE</b>
Installation of specialist floor covering in areas used for treatment of patient	✓	

<b>The Installation of a water meter (part 2.8.k of NHS (GMS - Premises Costs) Directions 2013)</b>		
	<b>E</b>	<b>NE</b>
Installation of a water meter	✓	

Professional fees, and related costs, incurred in occupying significantly refurbished premises (part 3.14.a-b of NHS (GMS - Premises Costs) Directions 2013)	E	NE
Reasonable surveyors' and architects' fees (evidence of competitive tendering required)	✓	
Reasonable legal costs in connection with the refurbishment work (evidence of competitive tendering required)	✓	
Reasonable costs of engaging a project manager (up to 1% of the cost of total build costs on major projects only (evidence of competitive tendering required))	✓	
Reasonable costs of engaging a structural engineer, where applicable	✓	
Reasonable costs of engaging a CDM Coordinator	✓	
Local authority fee structure as applicable in circumstances	✓	
Stamp duty & land tax (SDLT) – only if associated with a new leasehold surgery premises	✓	
Stamp duty & land tax (SDLT) – associated with a renewal of lease on existing premises		✓