



INFORMATION REGARDING RAMPS FOR MOBILITY SCOOTERS.

- The Council will **ONLY** consider a ramp for your mobility scooter if you are dependent on a wheelchair around your home or you are unable to negotiate the front / back steps into or out of your home safely. The need for a ramp will be assessed by the Occupational Therapist.
- Ramps will **NOT** be installed for mobility scooter access or if you have difficulty taking your scooter in or out of your property. Planning where to store your mobility scooter should be considered as part of the purchase.
- When deciding where to store your mobility scooter you should not block the main access /escape routes in and out of your home as this is a safety hazard. Similarly, mobility scooters should not block corridors in any communal or shared areas. If your home is a rented property then you may need to get consent from your landlord to store your mobility scooter. You should also be making the necessary arrangements to ensure that you are adequately insured when purchasing a mobility scooter.
- If you are a tenant and have purchased a mobility scooter but do not meet the criteria for a ramp, you will need to obtain permission from your landlord to fund a permanent ramp privately if it is feasible, or you need to consider purchasing temporary ramps.

NB: You can consider alternative means of transport and contact the Disability Resource Centre on 01582 470900 for advice. You can also contact this number for information on contractors that can install ramps privately if required, or they can advise where to purchase temporary ramps. If you are having significant mobility difficulties and require a wheelchair, a referral to the wheelchair service can be made. They can be contacted on 01525 631349.

