

## Handyperson Service

The Agency currently provides assistance with essential small odd jobs and repairs for older people (aged 70 and over) who own their own homes or are private tenants. Clients are asked to pay for the costs of any materials used and pay a fixed payment of £15.00 towards the cost of labour.

Most safety / security works that can be completed in about 2 hours can be considered (providing this does not involve ladders over six feet in height or major plumbing / electrical / building work). The Agency prioritises:

### 1 Safety Works

- Supplying and installing Smoke Alarms (free of charge)
- Replacing batteries in smoke alarms
- Changing light bulbs in essential rooms
- Supplying and fitting handrails and grab rails
- Painting white edges to steps
- Re-hanging curtains / rails if main room or bedroom
- Re-securing loose floor boards
- Tacking / taping down frayed carpet

### 2 Security Works

- Supplying and fitting door security chains
- Supplying and fitting door spy holes (not to PVC)
- Adjusting / repairing locks
- Replacing broken single panes of glass to doors or windows (max 2ft x 2ft)

### 3 General Works

- Adaptations to furniture and cupboards – for medical reasons only (e.g. for instance client needs to have wardrobe rail lowered because he / she is no longer able to reach it, sofa raised because of infirmity)
- Moving furniture – if to accommodate disability (e.g. bringing bed downstairs)
- Door bells