

29 February 2024

Our Ref: FOI 299

Request

We received your request on 08 February 2024 for the following information:

We wish to understand the current state of social housing in Northern Ireland. To that end, we request

1/ the most current (end December 2023) numbers and composition of (a) the social housing waiting list, (b) households in housing stress and (c) households with FDA status in Northern Ireland as a whole. Please provide the information broken down by family type in as much detail as possible (eg, with categories 'Single Male > 16 and <18', '2 Adults & 1 Child' etc).

2/ the most current (end December 2023) numbers and composition of (a) the social housing waiting list, (b) households in housing stress and (c) households with FDA status in North, West and South/East Belfast, broken down by HNA area. Please provide the information by family type in as much detail as possible (eg, as per similar past FOI requests, using the most detailed list of applicant household type (eg Single Male > 16 and <18, 2 Adults & 1 Child etc).

Your request has been handled under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 (FOIA).

Our response

Waiting List statistics are produced quarterly, therefore the most recently available are as at 31st December 2023. The attached spreadsheet provides the information you have requested. Sheet 1 provides the information for Northern Ireland as a whole. Sheet 2 provides the information for North, West and South and East Belfast.

Please observe the following:

Where there are less than 10 applicants, applicants in housing stress or allocations, they have been listed as <10 in compliance with Data Protection requirements.

Allocation information refers to the number of allocations in the preceding 12 month period.

FDA refers to Full Duty Applicants – these are applicants accepted as being homeless, to whom the Housing Executive owes a duty under the Homelessness legislation, Article 10(2) of the Housing (NI) Order, 1988 to “secure that accommodation becomes available for his/her occupation”.

Household group is recorded at point of application and may not reflect the current composition of the household.

This concludes our response.

Review procedure

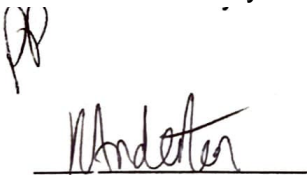
You can ask us to review our response. If you want us to carry out a review, you should send an email to: foi@nihe.gov.uk or alternatively write to: Freedom of Information, Information Governance Team, Legal Services, Northern Ireland Housing Executive, The Housing Centre, 2 Adelaide Street, Belfast, BT2 8PB.

Your request for an internal review should be submitted to us within 40 working days of you having received this response.

If you are still dissatisfied after our internal review, you have a further right of appeal to the Information Commissioner’s Office (ICO). You should make complaints to the ICO within six weeks of receiving the outcome of an internal review. A complaint can be made to the Information Commissioner, through the online portal at: [FOI and EIR complaints | ICO](#) or alternatively by post at: Information Commissioner’s Office, Wycliffe House, Water Lane, Wilmslow, Cheshire, SK9 5AF.

If you have any queries about this letter, please contact: Kelly.Anderton@nihe.gov.uk

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read 'K Anderton', is written over a horizontal line.

Ailbhe Hickey
Assistant Director, Land & Regeneration Services (A)

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