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Dear Ciara

AQW 14883/22-27 – INFORMATION TO BE PLACED IN THE ASSEMBLY LIBRARY

Due to the volume of detail required to answer AQW 14883/22-27, the information attached at Annex A has been placed in the Assembly Library.

Yours Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Gordon Lyons'.

**Gordon Lyons MLA
Minister for Communities**

ANNEX A

This issue is an operational matter for the Housing Executive and the Northern Ireland Federation of Housing Associations. I have sought the requested information and been provided with the information contained in Table 1 and Table 2 by the Chief Executive of the Housing Executive; and the information contained in Table 3 by Housing Associations.

“The Housing Executive operated a voluntary Right to Buy scheme up to 1981/82 when it was replaced by the statutory House Sales Scheme. It is therefore only possible to provide the total number of house sales under the voluntary Right to Buy scheme up to 1981/82 and the total number of sales by year under the statutory House Sales Scheme from 1981/82. These figures are as follows in Table 1:

Year	Up to 31/03/1981	1981/82	1982/83	1983/84	1984/85	1985/86	1986/87	1987/88	1988/89	1989/90	1990/91
Sales	1,994	7,042	5,554	5,440	5,422	4,103	3,184	2,807	3,368	4,638	4,092

Year	1991/92	1992/93	1993/94	1994/95	1995/96	1996/97	1997/98	1998/99	1999/00	2000/01	2001/02
Sales	3,191	3,228	3,972	4,693	4,765	4,665	4,907	4,395	4,526	5,571	5,018

Year	2002/03	2003/04	2004/05	2005/06	2006/07	2007/08	2008/09	2009/10	2010/11	2011/12	2012/13
Sales	6,060	5,654	3,052	2,525	2,201	808	52	272	249	236	289

Year	2013/14	2014/15	2015/16	2016/17	2017/18	2018/19	2019/20	2020/21	2021/22	2022/23	2023/24	2024/25 YTD
Sales	549	471	387	402	436	449	448	239	444	554	356	105

The Housing Executive's House Sales System was introduced in 2000 and records sales using NIHE Local Office boundaries which are broadly coterminous with Local Council/LGD boundaries. The House Sales System does not record sales by Parliamentary constituency. These figures are as follows in Table 2:

Year	Antrim and Newtownabbey	Armagh, Banbridge and Craigavon	Belfast	Causeway Coast and Glens	Derry and Strabane	Fermanagh and Omagh	Lisburn and Castlereagh	Mid and East Antrim	Mid Ulster	Newry, Mourne and Down	North Down and Ards	Grand Total
2000-01	476	440	1233	439	529	298	552	455	346	519	284	5571
2001-02	388	517	1035	349	521	258	525	274	305	529	317	5018
2002-03	408	432	1865	356	758	277	467	387	352	459	299	6060
2003-04	418	520	1295	337	737	219	489	405	318	514	402	5654
2004-05	280	264	649	229	391	148	245	251	165	234	196	3052
2005-06	226	213	564	214	303	143	191	183	160	174	154	2525
2006-07	220	175	556	139	271	116	188	169	120	126	121	2201
2007-08	69	75	233	47	77	57	62	54	33	48	53	808
2008-09	5	4	10	4	7	7	3	4	1	6	1	52
2009-10	16	39	62	21	33	24	16	18	13	19	11	272
2010-11	22	37	59	23	24	14	13	18	13	14	12	249
2011-12	25	30	46	16	26	21	20	12	15	9	16	236
2012-13	27	33	61	27	43	18	13	22	14	15	16	289
2013-14	54	58	113	36	75	37	46	29	37	37	27	549
2014-15	41	51	86	38	66	25	33	35	34	34	28	471
2015-16	30	59	67	24	49	19	30	24	29	32	24	387

2016-17	38	47	90	38	43	20	26	33	17	29	21	402
2017-18	37	57	102	32	46	28	33	24	25	33	19	436
2018-19	27	67	109	28	58	23	21	26	20	36	34	449
2019-20	38	60	110	27	59	19	20	30	26	24	35	448
2020-21	15	15	80	18	35	9	13	14	15	15	10	239
2021-22	40	30	171	21	38	12	36	23	27	21	25	444
2022-23	54	77	114	40	99	24	19	46	27	20	34	554
2023-24	36	42	63	28	45	22	11	21	38	30	20	356
2024-25	11	6	34	10	8	8	7	5	7	5	4	105
Grand Total	3001	3348	8807	2541	4341	1846	3079	2562	2157	2982	2163	36827”

Table 3 below provides the Housing Association annual house sales figures. These are not available on a constituency or council basis.

YEAR	HOUSE SALES BY HOUSING ASSOCIATIONS
2002/2003	77
2003/2004	121
2004/2005	108
2005/2006	91
2006/2007	83
2007/2008	67
2008/2009	9
2009/2010	13
2010/2011	14
2011/2012	19
2012/2013	22

YEAR	HOUSE SALES BY HOUSING ASSOCIATIONS
2013/2014	30
2014/2015	33
2015/2016	30
2016/2017	41
2017/2018	64
2018/2019	44
2019/2020	97
2020/2021	89
2021/2022	160
2022/2023	292
2023/2024	118

For any future queries relating to operational matters, you may wish to contact the Northern Ireland Housing Executive or the Northern Ireland Federation of Housing Associations directly. Making direct contact with them

will ensure that you receive the information in the shortest possible timeframe and make best use of public resources.