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AQW 14815/22-27 - INFORMATION TO BE PLACED IN THE ASSEMBLY LIBRARY

Due to the volume of detail required to answer AQW 14815/22-27, the information attached at Annex A has been placed in the Assembly Library.

Yours sincerely,

Gordon Lyons MLA

Minister for Communities

This issue is an operational matter for the Housing Executive.

I have sought the requested information from the Chief Executive, who has advised me as follows:

"(i)The table below provides a breakdown, by Parliamentary Constituency, as at the end of June 2024, of applicants in housing stress.

Parliamentary Constituency	Housing Stress Applicants			
Belfast East	1565			
Belfast East/South	327			
Belfast North	3708 2621			
Belfast South				
Belfast South/Strangford	102			
Belfast West	3492			
Belfast West/North	108			
Belfast West/South	23			
East Antrim	1483			
East Londonderry	1688			
Fermanagh South Tyrone	1444			
Foyle	4061			
Lagan Valley	1616			
Mid Ulster	910			
Newry & Armagh	1684			
North Antrim	1816			
North Down	1491			
South Antrim	1516			
South Down	1792			
Strangford	1271			
Upper Bann	1975			
West Tyrone	1444			
Grand Total	36137			

(ii) There have been 214 new social housing Completions in 2024/25 to date. There are currently 5,609 social housing units under construction. There are 2,197 social housing units programmed to start as part of the Social Housing Development Programme (SHDP) 2024/25. Please see the table below for details.

Parliamentary	Completed to	Under	Programmed	Total
Constituencies	Date	Construction	to Start 24/25	IOlai
East Antrim	4	280	34	318
North Antrim	5	272	83	360
South Antrim	4	161	51	216
Upper Bann	5	138	48	191
East Belfast	24	261	62	347
North Belfast	17	157	210	384
South Belfast	0	370	172	542
West Belfast	40	1117	416	1573
North Down	1	60	0	61
South Down	19	102	28	149
Fermanagh & South Tyrone	1	187	47	235
Foyle	31	1097	505	1633
Lagan Valley	6	337	33	376
East Londonderry	12	104	308	424
Mid Ulster	0	50	81	131
Newry & Armagh	0	428	101	529
Strangford	18	95	1	114
West Tyrone	27	393	17	437
Total	214	5,609	2,197	8,020"

Over 2000 units were proposed within the approved 24/25 SHDP programme when issued in Qtr. 4 of 23/24. However, this programme is always subject to budget. With a reduced budget this year, the full proposed programme cannot be supported to commence however assessment remains ongoing as to the profile of schemes that can be delivered based on the budget allocations and pending outcomes of monitoring rounds.

For any future queries relating to operational matters, you may wish to contact the Northern Ireland Housing Executive 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.