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Dear Peter

**AQW 39105/22-27 – INFORMATION TO BE PLACED IN THE ASSEMBLY LIBRARY**

Due to the volume of detail required to answer AQW 39105/ 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:

*“The Housing Executive currently maintains 118 hectares of land on the Housing Executive’s Undeveloped Land Schedule (ULS) which has been assessed as having independent development potential.*

*0.09 hectares of ULS land are located within the North Down Parliamentary Constituency. Details of the ULS lands are provided in Table 1 below.*

*These lands are classified by the categories detailed below:*

**Retain for Future Use** – These are sites are either retained pending further investigation into their development potential for social housing, suitability for any other function carried out by the Housing Executive or pending completion of an Economic Appraisal.

**Programmed for Transfer to Housing Association** – These are sites which are included in the Social Housing Development Programme and will be transferred to a Housing Association for development to meet social housing need.

**Surplus for Disposal** - These are sites which following the completion of an economic appraisal have been declared surplus to requirements as they are no longer required for the purpose for which they were acquired or for any other function carried out by the Housing Executive.

Table 1 – ULS Sites within North Down Parliamentary Constituency

| <b>Reference</b> | <b>District</b> | <b>Location</b>                  | <b>Site Area (HA)</b> | <b>ULS Classification</b> |
|------------------|-----------------|----------------------------------|-----------------------|---------------------------|
| 401/402          | Bangor          | 23 Seahill Road, Helens Bay      | 0.03                  | Retain for Future Use     |
| 401/403          | Bangor          | 33 & 37 Seahill Road, Helens Bay | 0.03                  | Retain for Future Use     |
| 401/404          | Bangor          | 63 & 69 Seahill Road, Helens Bay | 0.03                  | Retain for Future Use     |

*The Housing Executive also maintains land in its ownership, classified as existing open space, which is generally lands which is integral to the design of housing estates and used for amenity purposes.*

*The Housing Executive has assessed that some existing open space lands as having independent development potential subject to planning restrictions being overcome e.g. Planning Policy Statement 8 (PPS8) or outside current development limits. These lands are recorded as such in the Land Asset Management Registers.*

*3.74 hectares of existing open space lands in the North Down Parliamentary Constituency has been assessed as having independent development potential subject to planning restrictions being overcome and are included in the Existing Open Space ‘Yes’ Register. A list of these lands is provided in Table 2 below.*

*Table 2 – EOS Yes Sites within North Down Parliamentary Constituency*

| <b>Reference</b> | <b>District</b> | <b>Location</b>                      | <b>Site Area (HA)</b> |
|------------------|-----------------|--------------------------------------|-----------------------|
| 401/125          | <i>Bangor</i>   | <i>Willowbrook Road</i>              | 0.28                  |
| 401/133          | <i>Bangor</i>   | <i>Breezemount Close, Conlig</i>     | 0.09                  |
| 401/20           | <i>Bangor</i>   | <i>Ballywalter Gardens</i>           | 0.61                  |
| 401/25           | <i>Bangor</i>   | <i>Breezemount Close &amp; Grove</i> | 1.71                  |
| 401/34           | <i>Bangor</i>   | <i>Owenroe Drive Drumhirk Drive</i>  | 0.72                  |
| 401/35           | <i>Bangor</i>   | <i>Old Holywood Road</i>             | 0.035                 |
| 401/5            | <i>Bangor</i>   | <i>Grays Park Site 1</i>             | 0.29                  |

*All other lands in Housing Executive ownership in the North Down Parliamentary Constituency have been assessed as amenity lands with no independent development potential.”*