

From: The Minister

Date: 8 May 2026

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Dear Ciara,

AQW 44712/22-27 – INFORMATION TO BE PLACED IN THE ASSEMBLY LIBRARY

Due to the volume of detail required to answer AQW 44712/22-27, the information attached at Annex A has been placed in the Assembly Library.

Yours sincerely,



**Gordon Lyons MLA
Minister for Communities**

AQW 44712 22-27 - Annex A

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 does not record properties sold under the House Sales Scheme that were adapted or accessible dwellings that were subject to major adaptations.

There were 3,739 dwellings sold by the Housing Executive under the House Sales Scheme in the 10-year period 2016/17 to 2025/26. A breakdown of these sales by property type is provided in the table below.

Property Type	2016-2017	2017-2018	2018-2019	2019-2020	2020-2021	2021-2022	2022-2023	2023-2024	2024-2025	2025-2026	Grand Total
Bungalow	20	24	27	19	7	18	24	22	8	9	178
Cottage	6	1	7	6	5	3	4	7	1	3	43
Flat	34	45	39	39	19	37	45	42	26	11	337
House	338	363	372	384	208	385	480	282	171	177	3160
Maisonette	4	3	4			1	1	3	2	3	21
Grand Total	402	436	449	448	239	444	554	356	208	203	3739

Of the 3,739 dwellings sold under the House Sales Scheme, 417 were sold on a leasehold basis. This includes flats and maisonettes which are sold by way of a Lease typically for a 125-year leasehold term and dwellings sold under Equity Sharing which are sold by way of a Lease for a 99-year leasehold term. A breakdown of these sales is provided in the table below:

Year Sold	Flats/ Maisonettes	Houses (Equity Sharing)	Grand Total
2016-2017	38	7	45
2017-2018	48	4	52
2018-2019	43	8	51
2019-2020	39	4	43
2020-2021	19	4	23
2021-2022	38	6	44
2022-2023	46	7	53
2023-2024	45	13	58
2024-2025	28	5	33
2025-2026	14	1	15
Grand Total	358	59	417

A breakdown of house sales by Housing Executive Region is provided in the table below

Year Sold	Belfast	North	South	Grand Total
2016-2017	116	152	134	402
2017-2018	135	139	162	436
2018-2019	130	139	180	449
2019-2020	130	154	164	448
2020-2021	93	82	64	239
2021-2022	207	122	115	444
2022-2023	133	239	182	554

2023-2024	74	130	152	356
2024-2025	70	63	75	208
2025-2026	55	79	69	203
Grand Total	1143	1299	1297	3739

The Housing Executive does not record house sales by Assembly or Parliamentary constituency. A breakdown of house sales by Local Government District is provided in the table below:

LGD (2014)	2016-2017	2017-2018	2018-2019	2019-2020	2020-2021	2021-2022	2022-2023	2023-2024	2024-2025	2025-2026	Grand Total
Antrim and Newtownabbey	38	37	27	38	15	40	54	36	19	20	324
Armagh, Banbridge and Craigavon	47	57	67	60	15	30	77	42	18	20	433
Belfast	90	102	109	110	80	171	114	63	55	48	942
Causeway Coast and Glens	38	32	28	27	18	21	40	28	16	15	263
Derry and Strabane	43	46	58	59	35	38	99	45	18	27	468
Fermanagh and Omagh	20	28	23	19	9	12	24	22	19	17	193
Lisburn and Castlereagh	26	33	21	20	13	36	19	11	15	7	201
Mid and East Antrim	33	24	26	30	14	23	46	21	10	17	244
Mid Ulster	17	25	20	26	15	27	27	38	15	16	226
Newry, Mourne and Down	29	33	36	24	15	21	20	30	11	6	225
North Down and Ards	21	19	34	35	10	25	34	20	12	10	220

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