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From: The Minister

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Dear Michelle

AQW 45263/22-27 – INFORMATION TO BE PLACED IN THE ASSEMBLY LIBRARY

Due to the volume of detail required to answer AQW 45263/ 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 Northern Ireland Housing Executive (NIHE) will undertake works to address defects in external areas within its estates, including resurfacing where deemed necessary following identification of a potential hazard. However, the NIHE’s current Housing Management System (HMS) does not record maintenance activity at a level of detail that allows works to be categorised by specific asset type, such as footpaths.

While records are held of response maintenance works completed within NIHE estates, these are generally captured under broader categories of external or communal maintenance. As such, it is not possible to provide a verified breakdown solely identifying footpath repair or resurfacing works.

The information within the below table is representative of response maintenance works undertaken in areas outside the curtilage of individual properties relevant to resurfacing and repair. These works may include works to footpaths, but also encompasses other shared or communal assets, such as alleyways, car parks, communal hard standings, and shared areas within blocks of flats. These works are not recorded in a way that allows them to be disaggregated specifically to footpaths.

	Financial Year					
NIHE Area/Estate	2021-2022	2022-2023	2023-2024	2024-2025	2025-2026	Grand Total
Causeway area	£ 4,497.12	£ 230.99	£ 43.04	£ 69.97	£ 367.28	£ 5,208.40
Lisburn / Castlereagh area	£ 1,958.33	£ 661.00	£ 112.07	£ 44.64	£ 2,537.43	£ 5,313.47
Mid & East Antrim area				£ 210.01	£ 218.74	£ 428.75
Mid Ulster area	£ 34.69	£ 41.67	£ 127.87	£ 623.03	£ 45.44	£ 872.70
North Belfast area	£ 1,933.45	£ 440.78	£ 26,835.00	£ 177.15	£ 521.86	£ 29,908.24
North Down and Ards area	£ 746.74	£ 1,530.48	£ 1,490.08	£ 14,708.19	£ 271.87	£ 18,747.36
South and East Belfast area	£ 190.60	£ 372.58	£ 731.54	£ 763.35	£ 1,338.12	£ 3,396.19
South Antrim area	£ 2,297.48	£ 518.33	£ 2,209.56		£ 342.69	£ 5,368.06
South area	£ 3,318.32	£ 608.82	£ 851.99	£32,003.23	£ 5,335.69	£ 42,118.05
South Down area	£ 611.60	£ 214.20	£ 48,676.80	£86,710.21	£ 13,781.44	£ 149,994.25
South West area	£ 45.43	£ 116.91			£ 33.55	£ 195.89
West area	£ 3,907.40	£ 29,863.09	£ 11,747.05	£15,922.13	£ 4,841.81	£ 66,281.48
West Belfast area		£ 1,830.70	£ 301.63	£ 8,620.71	£ 217.80	£ 10,970.84
Grand Total	£ 19,541.16	£ 36,429.55	£ 93,126.63	£ 159,852.62	£ 29,853.72	£ 338,803.68"