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Dear Ciara

**AQW 44710/22-27 – INFORMATION TO BE PLACED IN THE ASSEMBLY LIBRARY**

Due to the volume of detail required to answer AQW 44710/ 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 Northern Ireland Housing Executive, they have advised me as follows:

*“Please find below details of sold flats which are sold by way of Flat Lease under the House Sales Scheme and where the Housing Executive remains the freehold owner of the building at 30/04/2026.*

**(i) Sold Flats Leasehold ownership details by Housing Executive Region at 30/04/2026:**

<b>Housing Executive Region</b>	<b>No. Leaseholders</b>
<i>BELFAST</i>	<i>2336</i>
<i>NORTH</i>	<i>2096</i>
<i>SOUTH</i>	<i>1736</i>
<b>Total</b>	<b>6168</b>

**(ii) Sold flats leasehold ownership details by Constituency at 30/04/2026:**

<b>Constituency name</b>	<b>No. Leaseholders</b>
<i>Belfast East</i>	<i>612</i>
<i>Belfast North</i>	<i>629</i>
<i>Belfast South and Mid Down</i>	<i>685</i>
<i>Belfast West</i>	<i>568</i>
<i>East Antrim</i>	<i>377</i>
<i>East Londonderry</i>	<i>252</i>

<i>Fermanagh and South Tyrone</i>	131
<i>Foyle</i>	463
<i>Lagan Valley</i>	430
<i>Mid Ulster</i>	78
<i>Newry and Armagh</i>	282
<i>North Antrim</i>	242
<i>North Down</i>	351
<i>South Antrim</i>	330
<i>South Down</i>	144
<i>Strangford</i>	196
<i>Upper Bann</i>	312
<i>West Tyrone</i>	86
<b>Total</b>	<b>6168</b>

**(iii) Sold Flats Leasehold Ownership details by District Council at 30/04/2026:**

<b>Council name</b>	<b>No. Leaseholders</b>
<i>Antrim and Newtownabbey</i>	788
<i>Armagh City, Banbridge and Craigavon</i>	492
<i>Belfast City</i>	1841
<i>Causeway Coast and Glens</i>	279
<i>Derry City and Strabane</i>	478
<i>Fermanagh and Omagh</i>	163
<i>Lisburn and Castlereagh</i>	644
<i>Mid and East Antrim</i>	551
<i>Mid Ulster</i>	116
<i>Newry, Mourne and Down</i>	322

<i>Ards and North Down</i>	494
<b>Total</b>	<b>6168</b>

Please find below details of houses that were sold on 999-year leases, where the Housing Executive retained the freehold as at 30/04/2026.

**(i) Sold Houses with Retained Freehold - details by Housing Executive Region at 30/04/2026:**

<b>Housing Executive Region</b>	<b>No. Leaseholders</b>
<i>BELFAST</i>	631
<i>NORTH</i>	141
<i>SOUTH</i>	360
<b>Grand Total</b>	<b>1132</b>

**(ii) Sold Houses with Retained Freehold - details by Constituency at 30/04/2026:**

<b>Constituency name</b>	<b>No. Leaseholders</b>
<i>Belfast East</i>	48
<i>Belfast North</i>	452
<i>Belfast South and Mid Down</i>	60
<i>Belfast West</i>	70
<i>East Antrim</i>	5
<i>East Londonderry</i>	54
<i>Foyle</i>	38
<i>Lagan Valley</i>	4
<i>Mid Ulster</i>	2

<i>Newry and Armagh</i>	2
<i>North Antrim</i>	21
<i>North Down</i>	3
<i>South Antrim</i>	21
<i>South Down</i>	2
<i>Strangford</i>	2
<i>Upper Bann</i>	348
<b>Total</b>	<b>1132</b>

**(iii) Sold Houses with Retained Freehold - details by District Council  
at 30/04/2026**

<b>Council name</b>	<b>No. Leaseholders</b>
<i>Antrim and Newtownabbey</i>	23
<i>Armagh City, Banbridge and Craigavon</i>	350
<i>Belfast City</i>	626
<i>Causeway Coast and Glens</i>	54
<i>Derry City and Strabane</i>	38
<i>Lisburn and Castlereagh</i>	5
<i>Mid and East Antrim</i>	26
<i>Mid Ulster</i>	2
<i>Newry, Mourne and Down</i>	3
<i>Ards and North Down</i>	5
<b>Total</b>	<b>1132"</b>

The information provided is the most up-to-date available at the time the Assembly Question was received, as advised by the Housing Executive.