

**From: The Minister**

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Dear Diana,

**AQW 46978/22-27– INFORMATION TO BE PLACED IN THE ASSEMBLY LIBRARY**

Due to the volume of detail required to answer AQW 46978/22-27, the information attached at Annex A has been placed in the Assembly Library.

Yours sincerely,



**Gordon Lyons MLA**

**Minister for Communities**

**AQW 46978/22-27**

**Answer:**

This issue is an operational matter for Northern Ireland Housing Executive; they have advised me as follows;

*“Outturn performance in terms of new build starts of social rented homes is directly linked to the in-year availability of a capital budget to support delivery. Agreed starts targets will therefore align with certainty over budget availability and timing.*

*Whilst the Housing Executive continues to bid annually and through in year monitoring rounds for budget to support the ambitions of the Housing Supply Strategy and PFG targets, the social housing development programme (SHDP) funding has not been available since 2023/24 to match these ambitions. It should also be noted that the capital budget allocation for the SHDP, also supports a programme of Housing Association adaptations as well as new homes starts.*

*Table 1 below, provides details of the provision of social housing against the strategic targets for the three-year period 2023/24 to 2025/26, broken down by Local Council area:*

*Additionally, Table 2 directly below, provides details of the 5-year projected housing need for the three-year period 2023/24 to 2025/26, broken down by Local Council area:*

**Table 2**

<b>LGD</b>	<b>2023-28</b>	<b>2024-29</b>	<b>2025-30</b>
<i>Belfast</i>	8,551	8,961	9,916
<i>Lisburn &amp; Castlereagh</i>	1,636	1,439	1,320
<i>Antrim &amp; Newtownabbey</i>	1,229	1,474	1,622
<i>Causeway Coast &amp; Glens</i>	1,638	1,726	1,760
<i>Derry City &amp; Strabane</i>	4,066	4,141	4,583
<i>Mid &amp; East Antrim</i>	863	1,126	1,323
<i>Ards &amp; North Down</i>	1,390	1,513	1,639
<i>Armagh, Banbridge &amp; Craigavon</i>	1,498	1,622	1,727
<i>Fermanagh &amp; Omagh</i>	905	942	1,049
<i>Mid Ulster</i>	912	876	923
<i>Newry, Mourne &amp; Down</i>	2,234	2,189	2,395
<b><i>Northern Ireland</i></b>	<b>24,922</b>	<b>26,009</b>	<b>28,257</b>

**“Table 1: Details of the provision of social housing against strategic targets, for the three-year period 2023/24 to 2025/26, broken down by Local Council area”**

	2023/24			2024/25			2025/26			Cumulative 2023/24 - 2025/26		
Local Government District	Strategic Target	SHDP Starts	Variance	Strategic Target	SHDP Starts	Variance	Strategic Target	SHDP Starts	Variance	Strategic Target	SHDP Starts	Variance
<b>Belfast</b>	461	495	34	510	359	-151	568	474	-94	1539	1328	-211
<b>Lisburn &amp; Castlereagh</b>	120	150	30	117	63	-54	115	137	22	352	350	-2
<b>Antrim &amp; Newtownabbey</b>	69	21	-48	64	123	59	73	176	103	206	320	114
<b>Causeway Central</b>	89	144	55	88	237	149	116	163	47	293	544	251
<b>Derry &amp; Strabane</b>	323	192	-131	279	247	-32	314	587	273	916	1026	110
<b>Mid &amp; East Antrim</b>	55	50	-5	36	56	20	47	33	-14	138	139	1
<b>Ards &amp; North Down</b>	70	132	62	73	24	-49	96	20	-76	239	176	-63
<b>Armagh, Banbridge &amp; Craigavon</b>	58	159	101	65	92	27	97	44	-53	220	295	75
<b>Fermanagh &amp; Omagh</b>	48	107	59	47	31	-16	67	62	-5	162	200	38
<b>Mid Ulster</b>	54	57	3	53	189	136	59	42	-17	166	288	122
<b>Newry, Mourne &amp; Down</b>	153	1	-152	168	83	-85	198	27	-171	519	111	-408
<b>NI total</b>	<b>1500</b>	<b>1508</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>1500</b>	<b>1504</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>1,750</b>	<b>1,765</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>4750</b>	<b>4777</b>	<b>27</b>