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Dear John,

AQW 50744/22-27 – INFORMATION TO BE PLACED IN THE ASSEMBLY LIBRARY

Due to the volume of detail required to answer AQW 50744/ 22-27, I have arranged for the information attached at Annex A to be 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:

“Table 1 below details the number of Housing Executive domestic properties in the East Antrim parliamentary constituency as of 3rd September 2026, broken down by property type and number of bedrooms:

Table 1. Stock	Bedrooms					Total
Property Type	1	2	3	4	5	
<i>Bedsit</i>	7	0	0	0	0	7
<i>Bungalow</i>	318	433	94	4	1	850
<i>Cottage</i>	0	2	0	0	0	2
<i>Flat</i>	406	789	36	0	0	1231
<i>House</i>	6	182	1347	108	4	1647
<i>Maisonette</i>	0	20	13	0	0	33
Grand Total	737	1426	1490	112	5	3770

Table 2 below shows the number of Housing Executive voids in the East Antrim parliamentary constituency as of 3rd September 2026, broken down by:

- *Number of bedrooms*
- *Property Type*
- *Void code description**
- *Void duration*

Table 2. Voids	Void duration				
Bedrooms, property type and void code description	0-6 Months	6-12 Months	12-24 Months	24+ Months	Total
1 Bedroom	13	1	1	30	45
Bungalow	6	0	1	0	7
-Difficult to Let	1	0	0	0	1
-Exceptional Circumstances	0	0	1	0	1
-Terminated - Lettable	5	0	0	0	5
Flat	7	1	0	30	38
-Difficult to Let	1	0	0	0	1
-Pend Demolition (Blocked)	0	0	0	30	30
-Planned Improv Scheme	1	1	0	0	2
-Terminated - Lettable	5	0	0	0	5
2 Bedroom	27	0	0	30	57
Bungalow	4	0	0	0	4
-Exceptional Circumstances	1	0	0	0	1
-Major COT Repairs	1	0	0	0	1
-Planned Improv Scheme	1	0	0	0	1
-Terminated - Lettable	1	0	0	0	1

Flat	18	0	0	30	48
-Difficult to Let	2	0	0	0	2
-Major COT Repairs	6	0	0	0	6
-Pend Demolition (Blocked)	0	0	0	30	30
-Terminated - Lettable	10	0	0	0	10
House	4	0	0	0	4
-Major COT Repairs	1	0	0	0	1
-Terminated - Lettable	3	0	0	0	3
Maisonette	1	0	0	0	1
-Terminated - Lettable	1	0	0	0	1
3 Bedroom	11	2	11	41	65
Flat	0	0	0	30	30
-Pend Demolition (Blocked)	0	0	0	30	30
House	10	2	11	11	34
-Exceptional Circumstances	0	0	1	0	1
-Fire Damage (Accidental)	1	0	0	0	1
-Major COT Repairs	3	0	0	0	3
-Pend Demolition (Blocked)	0	1	10	11	22

-Planned Improv Scheme	3	1	0	0	4
-Terminated - Lettable	3	0	0	0	3
Maisonette	1	0	0	0	1
-Planned Improv Scheme	1	0	0	0	1
4 Bedroom	0	0	0	0	0
5 Bedroom	0	0	0	0	0
Grand Total	51	3	12	101	167

** Void code description:*

Terminated-Lettable – Automatic void status when termination keyed on receipt of keys.

Fire Damage (Accidental) – Fire damage – uninhabitable condition

Major COT Repairs – Awaiting change of tenancy repairs

Difficult to Let – Reletting is anticipated to be a problem

Exceptional Circumstances - This code should only be used in exceptional circumstances such that no other void status is suitable

Pend Demolition (Blocked) – Board approval has been granted for the demolition – property in uninhabitable state

Planned Improv Scheme - property vacant and included in a pending approved improvement scheme”

The figures relate to NIHE properties only, as corresponding data for Housing Association properties is not held.