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Dear Sian,

AQW 55570/22-27 – INFORMATION TO BE PLACED IN THE ASSEMBLY LIBRARY

Due to the volume of detailed required to answer AQW 55570/22-27, the information attached at Annex A has been placed in the Assembly Library.

Yours sincerely,



Gordon Lyons MLA
Minister for Communities

Financial Year 2023/2024

Jobs & Benefits Office	Applications Received	Applications Approved	Applications Rejected
ANDERSONSTOWN	109	105	2
ANTRIM	54	36	18
ARMAGH	29	27	2
BALLYMENA	21	19	1
BALLYMONEY	12	10	1
BALLYNAHINCH	13	13	0
BANBRIDGE	16	16	0
BANGOR	46	44	2
CARRICKFERGUS	13	13	0
COLERAINE	14	12	2
COOKSTOWN	32	32	0
DOWNPATRICK	19	19	0
DUNGANNON	14	12	2
ENNISKILLEN	19	16	3
FALLS ROAD	40	38	2
FOYLE	72	67	4
HOLYWOOD ROAD	41	37	4
KILKEEL	6	6	0
KNOCKBREDA	21	20	1
LARNE	11	10	1
LIMAVADY	15	15	0
LISBURN	61	59	1
LISNAGELVIN	38	34	2
LURGAN	33	29	4
MAGHERAFELT	13	12	1
NEWCASTLE	7	7	0
NEWRY	27	26	1
NEWTOWNABBEY	30	28	1
NEWTOWNARDS	28	27	1
NORTH BELFAST	70	69	1
OMAGH	3	2	1
PORTADOWN	8	7	1
SHAFTESBURY SQUARE	12	12	0
SHANKILL	22	20	1
STRABANE	39	38	1
Total	**1008**	**937**	**61**

Financial Year 2024/2025

Jobs & Benefits Office	Applications Received	Applications Approved	Applications Rejected
ANDERSONSTOWN	173	170	2
ANTRIM	40	35	5
ARMAGH	26	23	3
BALLYMENA	26	24	0
BALLYMONEY	5	5	0
BALLYNAHINCH	24	22	1
BANBRIDGE	29	26	2
BANGOR	54	46	7
CARRICKFERGUS	14	12	2
COLERAINE	19	18	1
COOKSTOWN	28	28	0
DOWNPATRICK	20	20	0
DUNGANNON	14	11	3
ENNISKILLEN	26	22	4
FALLS ROAD	52	48	4
FOYLE	98	91	4
HOLYWOOD ROAD	56	51	3
KNOCKBREDA	24	24	0
LARNE	17	16	1
LIMAVADY	16	14	1
LISBURN	70	64	3
LISNAGELVIN	48	45	1
LURGAN	32	30	2
MAGHERAFELT	21	17	0
NEWCASTLE	13	11	2
NEWRY	26	25	1
NEWTOWNABBEY	42	41	1
NEWTOWNARDS	34	34	0
NORTH BELFAST	59	55	4
OMAGH	4	3	1
PORTADOWN	32	27	5
SHAFTESBURY SQUARE	16	16	0
SHANKILL	37	37	0
STRABANE	30	26	4
Total	**1225**	**1137**	**67**

Financial Year 2025/2026

Jobs & Benefits office	Applications Received	Applications Approved	Applications Rejected
ANDERSONSTOWN	121	118	1
ANTRIM	32	31	1
ARMAGH	29	25	4
BALLYMENA	18	18	0
BALLYMONEY	12	12	0
BALLYNAHINCH	13	13	0
BANBRIDGE	22	22	0
BANGOR	47	39	8
CARRICKFERGUS	10	10	0
COLERAINE	15	13	2
COOKSTOWN	21	20	1
DOWNPATRICK	22	20	2
DUNGANNON	7	4	3
ENNISKILLEN	8	7	1
FALLS ROAD	44	41	3
FOYLE	65	63	1
HOLYWOOD ROAD	56	54	0
KNOCKBREDA	15	13	2
LARNE	15	15	0
LIMAVADY	16	16	0
LISBURN	53	52	1
LISNAGELVIN	48	47	1
LURGAN	27	24	2
MAGHERAFELT	28	24	3
NEWCASTLE	8	8	0
NEWRY	29	28	1
NEWTOWNABBEY	34	27	3
NEWTOWNARDS	24	24	0
NORTH BELFAST	78	77	1
OMAGH	4	4	0
PORTADOWN	25	23	1
SHAFTESBURY SQUARE	14	12	2
SHANKILL	38	36	2
STRABANE	40	28	11
Total	**1038**	**968**	**57**

Financial Year 2026/2027

Jobs & Benefits office	Applications Received	Applications Approved	Applications Rejected
ANDERSONSTOWN	69	65	2
ANTRIM	25	18	3
ARMAGH	12	8	4
BALLYMENA	9	7	2
BALLYMONEY	7	6	0
BALLYNAHINCH	2	2	0
BANBRIDGE	16	16	0
BANGOR	35	27	7
CARRICKFERGUS	13	13	0
COLERAINE	7	7	0
COOKSTOWN	10	10	0
DOWNPATRICK	11	11	0
DUNGANNON	9	6	2
ENNISKILLEN	14	11	3
FALLS ROAD	39	37	2
FOYLE	73	68	3
HOLYWOOD ROAD	29	29	0
KILKEEL	1	1	0
KNOCKBREDA	20	16	0
LARNE	2	2	0
LIMAVADY	9	9	0
LISBURN	42	41	0
LISNAGELVIN	24	22	0
LURGAN	17	16	1
MAGHERAFELT	14	12	1
NEWCASTLE	9	9	0
NEWRY	22	15	7
NEWTOWNABBEY	12	7	2
NEWTOWNARDS	20	18	0
NORTH BELFAST	45	39	4
OMAGH	1	1	0
PORTADOWN	16	15	0
SHAFTESBURY SQUARE	11	11	0
SHANKILL	13	13	0
STRABANE	34	29	5
Total	**692**	**617**	**48**