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Ref: EN/FOI/2020/10

Dear Ms Jennings

**Freedom of Information Act 2000**

Thank you for your request dated 13<sup>th</sup> March 2020. I would confirm that this has been processed as a request under the Freedom of Information Act 2000. I note you have requested the following information:

1) The most recent 2020 figures available (in previous years, as at 31 March) regarding

- households on the social housing waiting list in Northern Ireland
- households considered to be in housing stress (with 30 points or more) in Northern Ireland
- households with FDA status in Northern Ireland.

2) The most recent 2020 figures available (in previous years, as at 31 March) regarding **children under the age of 18**

- in households on the social housing waiting list in NI.
- in households considered to be in housing stress in NI.
- in households with FDA status in NI.

In line with government advice on the management of the coronavirus outbreak, it has become necessary to make changes to the way the Housing Executive is delivering our services. These changes are intended to protect our customers and our staff while ensuring that we continue to provide key essential services.

Members of staff are working from home where possible so we are currently limited in our ability to complete responses to Freedom of Information requests.

As a result, I am currently only able to provide a response to part 1 of your query. I will respond to part 2 as soon as the information can be made available. Unfortunately, due to the uncertainty of the situation, I am unable to advise when that will be but I assure you it will be as soon as possible. Given the unprecedented times that we are all working in I would ask for and appreciate your understanding in this matter.

In reply to part one of your query I can advise as follows:

**1) The most recent 2020 figures available (in previous years, as at 31 March) regarding**

- **households on the social housing waiting list in Northern Ireland**
- **households considered to be in housing stress (with 30 points or more) in Northern Ireland**
- **households with FDA status in Northern Ireland.**

The figures provided are as at 31<sup>st</sup> December 2019. Official waiting list information is produced quarterly and is then subject to a process of validation. Therefore December 2019 is the most recently available information. It is currently anticipated that figures as at 31<sup>st</sup> March 2020 will be available after the end of April 2020.

<b>Applicant Household Type</b>	<b>Applicants</b>	<b>Applicants in Housing Stress</b>	<b>FDA</b>
Single Male, >16 and <18	84	76	70
Single Male, 18-25	2685	2108	1528
Single Male, 26-59	8543	6103	4164
Single Female, >16 and <18	88	78	73
Single Female, 18-25	2259	1810	1378
Single Female, 26-59	3674	2612	1945
H&W, >16 and <18	<10	<10	<10
H&W, 18-25	85	53	37
H&W, 26-59	449	263	182
2 Adults, >16 and <18	<10	<10	<10
2 Adults, 18-59	1448	839	604
2 Adults and 1 child	1077	684	553
2 Adults and 2 children	1072	636	536
1 Parent and 1 child	4811	3742	3105
1 Parent and 2 children	2554	1766	1515
2 Adults and 3 children	566	376	317
2 Adults and ≥4 children	371	254	217
1 Parent and 3 children	1017	719	630

<b>Applicant Household Type</b>	<b>Applicants</b>	<b>Applicants in Housing Stress</b>	<b>FDA</b>
1 Parent and ≥4 children	518	368	321
≥3 Adults and 2+ children	200	142	111
≥3 Adults and 0-1 children	827	532	405
Male 60+	1593	1100	811
Female 60+	2544	1766	1207
H&W, Either 60+	1071	760	493
≥3 OAP's	11	<10	<10
2 Adults, either 60+	750	527	379
<b>Total</b>	<b>38,308</b>	<b>27,329</b>	<b>20,592</b>

**2) The most recent 2020 figures available (in previous years, as at 31 March) regarding children under the age of 18**

- in households on the social housing waiting list in NI.
- in households considered to be in housing stress in NI.
- in households with FDA status in NI.

To be responded to under separate cover at a later date.

If you feel the information we have provided does not fully meet your request, you have the right to request a formal review by the Housing Executive within two calendar months of the date of this letter.

If you wish to do this, please contact us by email at [FOI@nihe.gov.uk](mailto:FOI@nihe.gov.uk).

If after such an internal review you are still dissatisfied with the response, you have the right to appeal to the Information Commissioner within three calendar months of the date of this letter. If you wish to do this, please write to:

**Information Commissioner**

A: Wycliffe House, Water Lane, Wilmslow, Cheshire, SK9 5AF

W: [ico.org.uk/make-a-complaint/](https://ico.org.uk/make-a-complaint/)

The Information Commissioner will undertake an independent review.

Yours Sincerely,

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Elma Newberry  
Assistant Director Land & Regeneration

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