

Bangor & Donaghadee Allocations

1. How many 3 bed properties are currently available/awaiting allocation in the Bangor GHA and Donaghadee GHA?

There are currently 3 3 bed NIHE properties in Bangor and none in Donaghadee.

2. What is the average amount of points needed currently for a 3 bed property in Bangor GHA?
3. What is the average amount of points needed currently for a 3 bed property in Donaghadee GHA?
4. What is the average length of waiting time for a 3 bed property in both Bangor GHA and Donaghadee GHA?

The table and accompanying notes below provides the answers to questions 2, 3 & 4 of this FOI.

To answer these questions the mean & median points and waiting times at the point of allocation for GHA Bangor Town and the GHA that covers Donaghadee for allocated 3 bed properties over a period of 5 years (01/07/17 – 30/09/22) has been provided. For comparison the N. Ireland mean & median for allocated 3 bed properties has also been provided.

GHA	No. of Allocations to 3 Bed Properties	Mean Pts at the Point of Allocation	Median Pts at the Point of Allocation	Mean Mths on the Waiting List at the Point of Allocation	Median Mths on the Waiting List at the Point of Allocation
Bangor Town	251	177.6	162.0	19.7	12.0
Newtownards (Donaghadee/)Cottown	14	179.11	155.0	27.9	13.5

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N. Ireland	7017	147.51	150.0	24.8	14.0

Notes:

Mean & Median:

The MEAN is the arithmetic average and as a statistic can often be skewed by significant outliers i.e. applicants who have been on the waiting list for a much higher number of years than others. The effect of this is to push the average up and make it unrepresentative of the experience of most applicants. Therefore, following expert advice on this matter a methodology that utilises the MEDIAN (a measure of central tendency that is unaffected by outliers) in relation to Waiting Lists and Allocations is also provided.

In order to give a better understanding of allocations over time we provide aggregated allocations data from the 01/07/17 - 30/06/22. Allocations data includes allocations to both Housing Executive and housing association properties to applicants.