

Homes allocated in Bangor and Newtownards

1. How many 3 bed lifetime homes have been allocated between May 2022 to January 2023 in the Bangor and Newtownards GHA and what points did each allocation have?

Housing Executive do not hold data on lifetime homes.

2. How many 3 bed ground floor properties have been allocated between May 2022 and January 2023 in the Bangor and Newtownards GHA and what points did each allocation have?

Please find the response to your request below in Table 1 which shows the allocations from 1st May to 31st December 2022 by allocations to 3 bed dwelling types. The data has been provided at Bangor Local Office & Newtownards Local Office level and at N. Ireland level. The data has been provided at local office level because there are several GHAs that make up the Bangor & Newtownards Local Office areas.

In the interests of Data Protection we have had to remove the points for some allocations where there was less than 10 allocations and where the points level was substantially different (we used a deviation of 20%) from the overall N. Ireland mean average points. Table 1 should be read in conjunction with the accompanying notes.

Table 1:

Allocations to 3 Bed Properties 1st May 22 to 31 Dec 22 at Bangor & Newtownards Local Office Level & N. Ireland Level by Dwelling Type and Mean & Median Points at the Point of Allocation				
NIHE Local Office	Dwelling Type	No. Allocations	Mean Points at the Point of Allocation	Median Points at the Point of Allocation
Bangor	BUNG	<10	182.0	182.0
	HOUS	15	214.3	188.0
Newtownards	HOUS	24	195.1	170.0
	UPFL	<10	145.0	145.0
N. Ireland	BUNG	20	139.9	143.0
	GRFL	12	181.0	185.0
	HOUS	661	171.6	170.0
	SHLT	<10		
	TRDW	<10		
	UPFL	20	134.1	140.0
	N.I. Total	716	169.3	170.0

Notes:

- Breakdown of Dwelling Type:
 - BUNG = Bungalow
 - GRFL = Ground Floor Flat
 - HOUS = House
 - SHLT = Sheltered Housing
 - TRDW = Traveller Dwelling
 - UPFL = Upper Floor Flat
- When a question of “average waiting times” or “average points” is asked MEAN and MEDIAN averages are provided. Reasons for this include:
 - The MEAN is the arithmetic average and as a statistic can often be unreliable, having been skewed by significant outliers i.e. applicants who have been on the waiting list for a number of years

- This degree of skewing makes the arithmetic average, the MEAN, unreliable. Therefore, following expert advice on this matter a methodology that utilises the MEDIAN (a measure of central tendency) as a more reliable indicator in relation to Waiting Lists and Allocations is also provided.
- <10 are cases where numbers are less than 10.
- UK GDPR and Data Protection Act 2018 - It is important to note the GDPR & Data Protection Act 2018 regarding the potential risk of identifying individuals and individual households. Guidance from NISRA suggests that equality monitoring information should not be disclosed in sensitive cases where individuals or individual households could be identified. Also the Information Commissioner's Office (ICO) 'Anonymisation: Managing Data Protection Risk' Code of Practice states 'where less than 10 responses have been given to an answer that identifies something factual, all variables relating to that question have been suppressed'. However, 'it should be noted that attitudinal questions are not bound by this rule, in addition to responses of 'Don't know', 'Refused', 'Other' or similar. As the information provided is considered sensitive some statistical disclosure controls may have been placed on the tables with the omission of data in cases where there are less than ten Applicants.
- Allocations data includes allocations to both Housing Executive & housing association properties.