

## **Housing Benefit claimants reporting shortfalls**

Could NIHE detail what percentage of Housing Benefit claimants currently report a shortfall between their Housing Benefit entitlement for rent and the rent charged by their landlord as of 20th February 2023 for the following areas; Dunmurry, Ladybrook, Twinbrook, Lagmore, Poleglass and Stewartstown

To help assist I mainly talking about those individuals who only receive the local housing allowance which doesn't cover their full rent.

- (a) Within workgroup 201, 1682 of 2341 claimants (71.85%) have a shortfall between the rent charged by their landlord and the applicable Local Housing Allowance for the property occupied.  
This workgroup relates to all of West and South Belfast, Poleglass and Twinbrook
- (b) Within workgroup 406, 528 cases of 656 (89.49%) have a shortfall between the rent charged by their landlord and the applicable Local Housing Allowance for the property occupied.  
This workgroup relates to Dunmurry and Lisburn.