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Our Ref: FOI 405

Request

We received your request on 20 May 2024 for the following information:

I'm requesting under the freedom of information act How many single applicants were granted a 3 bedroom property on request so family members could stay with them on occasions. From year 2000 until may 2024

Your request has been handled under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 (FOIA).

Our response

The scenario which forms the premise of your question, wherein a single person household is allocated a 3 bedroom house "on request so family members could stay with them on occasion" is not one the Housing Selection Scheme (HSS) would permit.

The HSS specifies minimum size requirements which are calculated on the needs of permanent members of the household. In policy, however, Officers do have the discretion to consider applicants for accommodation which is larger than that needed for their particular household e.g. where there is evidenced need for an additional bedroom required to facilitate an overnight carer. This, however, would be one additional bedroom only.

This concludes our response.