

Response to: FOI 22-23 179

January 2023

Shankill Housing Need and Land Sales

1. Confirmation that the most recent housing need assessment for the NIHE Greater Shankill District Office area indicates a housing need for 60 new social housing units over the period 2021-2026 (10 Ainsworth/ 0 Woodvale/ Ballygomartin/ 50 Mid-Shankill).

Further to your clarification email of 23rd November, in which you confirmed that the area you are interested in is that contained within the Housing Executive Shankill Local Office boundary, the housing need projections for the Housing Need Assessment Areas (HNA areas) falling within that area are in the table below:

HNA Area	2021-26 Projection
Ainsworth/Woodvale	10
Ballygomartin	0
Mid-Shankill	50
Lower Shankill	0
TOTAL	60

2. If the above housing need assessment for the Greater Shankill has been updated, please provide the updated figures for the five year period 20121-2026 or any new five year period e.g. 2022 – 2027. If there has been no update, please advise when the figures will be updated.

The table below provides the housing need projections for the Housing Need Assessment Areas (HNA areas) falling within the boundaries of Housing Executive Shankill Local Office for 2022 - 2027

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HNA Area	2022-27 Projection
Ainsworth/Woodvale	51
Ballygomartin	6
Mid-Shankill	71
Lower Shankill	0
TOTAL	128

3. A copy of the complete housing need assessment (including all figures and calculations) that provides the basis for the 60 units figure or any updated figure.

Please find attached the Housing Executive's Commissioning Prospectus for 22/23-24/25 which sets out the assessed Housing Need for the Belfast Local Government District including Greater Shankill and provides the Belfast Supporting Data.

The Commissioning Prospectus for 23/24 to 25/26 will be published on the Housing Executive's website at the below address in the coming weeks. It is therefore exempt from disclosure at this time under Section 22 of the Freedom of Information Act- information intended for future publication.

The Housing Executive - Commissioning prospectus (nihe.gov.uk)

4. The name and location of NIHE owned sites within the NIHE Greater Shankill District Office area released by the NIHE on the open market for private housing development under development brief or sold to a housing association for private housing development, in both cases since 1st January 2010. Please also specify the date or year in which the sites were sold and if the sites were located within an Urban Renewal Area (BRA) or previously declared URA.

Further to your clarification email of 12th December, the below table provides the requested information.

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DISPOSED HOUSING EXECUTIVE SITES 1st January 2010 - to Current									
NIHE Ref No.	Site Location	Site Area (Ha)	Disposal Method	Development Brief	Date of Disposal	Located within Urban Renewal Area			
315/55	402 Shankill Rd/Esmond Street	0.03	Open Market Sale	No	23/04/2015	No			
315/62B	Lawnbrook Avenue	0.67	Open Market Sale	No	12/10/2017	Yes - Lawnbrook Urban Renewal Area			
315/60	2-20 Caledon Street	0.06	Open Market Sale	No	19/03/2021	No			

5. The name and location of NIHE owned sites within the NIHE Greater Shankill District Office area the NIHE intends to release on the open market for private housing development or to be sold to a housing association for private housing development between the date on this information request and the equivalent date in 2023.

The Housing Executive does not currently intend to release any sites within the Housing Executive Shankill Local Office boundary to the open market or to a housing association for the development of private housing between the date of your request (18th November 2022) and 18th November 2023.

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