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## Social housing needs in the Greater Omagh Area

1) Please provide details of the current social housing needs in the Greater Omagh Area including Killyclogher, Loughmacrory, Mountfiled, Drumnakilly and the surrounding areas.

## We would request details of the housing need and a breakdown of the demographics required, i.e. 2 person 1 bed, 3 person 2 bed"

Housing Need is reported based on the Housing Executive's Housing Need Assessment Areas and by Household Group. The below table provides the Housing Need statistics as at June 2022 for the Omagh Town, Omagh Cottages and Carrickmore Housing Need Assessment Areas. It includes all Applicants and Applicants in Housing Stress (those who have been awarded 30 or more points under the Housing Selection Scheme). We have also included the number of allocations made to applicants in these areas in the preceding 12 months.

Killclogher is included within the Omagh Town HNA Area. The Housing Executive does not have separate Waiting Lists for Loughmacrory, Mountfield and Drumnakilly due to the small number of social housing properties in those locations. These areas are included within the Carrickmore and Omagh Cottages HNA Areas for which figures have been provided.

Table 1	Household Group								
HNA Area		Elderly	Large Adult	Large Family	Single	Small Adult	Small Family	Grand Total	
Carrickmore	Applicants	<10	0	<10	<10	<10	<10	26	
Omagh Cottages	Applicants	<10	<10	<10	<10	0	<10	12	
Omagh Town	Applicants	109	20	42	374	39	141	725	
Carrickmore	Housing Stress	<10	0	<10	<10	<10	<10	13	

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HNA Area		Elderly	Large Adult	Large Family	Single	Small Adult	Small Family	Grand Total	
Omagh Cottages	Housing Stress	<10	0	<10	<10	0	<10	<10	
Omagh Town	Housing Stress	78	10	24	260	20	82	474	
Carrickmore	Allocations	<10	0	<10	<10	<10	0	<10	
Omagh Cottages	Allocations	0	0	<10	0	0	<10	<10	
Omagh Town	Allocations	<10	<10	<10	24	<10	14	56	

\*Please note that where there are less than 10 applicants, applicants in housing stress or allocations, they have been listed as <10 in compliance with Data Protection requirements.

\*\* From 2022, social housing waiting list and allocations data held by the Housing Executive form part of the Department for Communities Northern Ireland Housing Bulletin, which is published quarterly as a <u>National Statistic</u>. In line with National Statistics protocols, users should refer to the most recently published data: <u>Northern Ireland Housing Bulletin April - June 2022</u>, <u>Department for communities</u>. Therefore, in order to avoid breaches in the code of practice for statistics, the most recent data provided in the table above is based on the June 2022 published data.

The table below provides a further breakdown, by calculated bedroom need, of all Applicants on the Waiting List for the Carrickmore, Omagh Cottages, and Omagh Town HNAs as at 30<sup>th</sup> June 2022.

It should be noted that, in certain circumstances, the Housing Selection Scheme rules can afford an additional bedroom entitlement to an applicant, based on their individual needs. The bedroom entitlement in this dataset corresponds to the minimum bedroom requirements under the rules of the HSS, therefore the 'actual' bedroom need of some of the applicants included in it, may vary from the 'calculated' need.

Table 2	Calculated Bedroom Requirement							
HNA Area	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	Total Applicants
Carrickmore	17	<10	<10	0	<10	0	0	26
Omagh Cottages	<10	0	<10	0	0	0	0	12
Omagh Town	494	134	72	17	<10	<10	<10	725

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