

30 October 2025

Dear Applicant

Our Ref: FOI 978

Your request for information received on 16 September 2025 has been handled under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 (FOIA).

Request

We formally request statistical data under the Freedom of Information act showing the following:

- 1. Our client's placement on the waiting list on a weekly basis from March 2024 until September 2025 for the Cookstown, Magherafelt and Moneymore areas.*
- 2. The number of houses allocated by NIHE in Cookstown, Magherafelt and Moneymore each month from March 2024 until September 2025.*
- 3. The number of persons currently on the waiting list in the areas of Cookstown, Magherafelt and Moneymore.*

Our response

- 1. Our client's placement on the waiting list on a weekly basis from March 2024 until September 2025 for the Cookstown, Magherafelt and Moneymore areas.***

This portion of your request is being responded to under the provisions of the Data Protection Act 2018 as it is the personal data of your client. You will receive a response under separate cover.

- 2. The number of houses allocated by NIHE in Cookstown, Magherafelt and Moneymore each month from March 2024 until September 2025.***

Table 1 below provides allocation breakdown for the stated Housing Need Assessment (HNA) areas, per calendar month, for the period March 2024 to June 2025.

Waiting list and allocations figures are produced quarterly and so the most up to date figures are as at 30th September 2025. However, waiting list and allocations statistics are included in the Department for Communities Housing Bulletin which is designated as a National Statistic.

Section 13(1) of the Statistics and Registration Services Act 2007 states that 'the person producing any official statistics which are designated under section 12 as National Statistics must ensure that the Code of Practice for Statistics under section 10 continues to be complied with in relation to those statistics.' Provision of the requested figures before publication of the DfC Housing Bulletin in which the dataset from which they would be drawn is published would be a failure to comply with the Code in respect of parts [T3.3](#) and [T3.4](#).

The September 2025 figures are therefore currently exempt from disclosure under Section 44 of the Freedom of Information Act - disclosure prohibited by other legislation. The requested July to end September allocations figures can be made available upon request subsequent to the publication of the Bulletin, which is currently expected around end November.

Table 1: Allocations by month March 2024 – June 2025

HNA area	Mar-24	Apr-24	May-24	Jun-24	Jul-24	Aug-24	Sep-24	Oct-24	Nov-24	Dec-24	Jan-25	Feb-25	Mar-25	Apr-25	May-25	Jun-25	Grand Total
Cookstown North	<10	<10	0	<10	<10	<10	<10	<10	0	<10	<10	<10	<10	<10	<10	0	25
Cookstown South	<10	0	0	0	0	<10	0	<10	<10	<10	0	<10	0	<10	0	0	<10
Magherafelt	<10	<10	0	<10	<10	<10	<10	<10	<10	<10	<10	<10	<10	<10	0	<10	34
Moneymore	<10	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	<10	0	0	0	<10
Grand Total	<10	<10	0	<10	<10	<10	<10	10	<10	69							

Notes:

- Please note that where there are less than 10 allocations, they have been listed as <10 in compliance with Data Protection requirements.
- *Allocation information refers to the number of allocations in the preceding 12-month period.

3. The number of persons currently on the waiting list in the areas of Cookstown, Magherafelt and Moneymore.

Table 2 below provides waiting list and allocation figures, as at end June 2025, for the stated HNA areas. Waiting list statistics are produced quarterly so the most recently produced are as at 30th September 2025. Waiting list statistics are subject to the same restrictions on publication as the allocations figures described in Q2. The waiting list figures for the requested areas can be made available following publication of the next DfC Housing Bulletin, currently expected by the end of November 2025.

Table 2 HNA	Applicants	Applicants in HS	*Allocations
Cookstown North	156	113	15
Cookstown South	247	176	<10
Magherafelt	317	229	28
Moneymore	35	25	<10
Grand Total	755	543	50

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This concludes our response.