

**WRITTEN QUESTION TO THE MINISTER FOR HOUSING AND COMMUNITIES
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ANSWER TO BE TABLED ON TUESDAY 20th SEPTEMBER 2022**

Question

Will the Minister advise how many Andium Homes tenants have moved to a refurbished home with Andium in the last two years and faced an increase in rent due to this change; and, within this data set, will he state –

- (a) the mean and median rent increase faced by these tenants; and
- (b) how many tenants were compulsorily moved due to large scale refurbishment?

Answer

It is understood that the question relates specifically to Le Marais, Andium's major refurbishment project which has been running over the past two years.

A total of 80 existing tenants have been moved to a refurbished home over the past two years, where the home they were moving to had a higher rent compared to their existing home. However, 51 of those tenants were already in receipt of Income Support and, therefore, felt no financial impact because the housing component of Income Support fully covers the rent charged. A total of 29 tenants were not on Income Support and so may have seen an increase in their rent if they did not claim Income Support as a result of their move or, if having applied, they were assessed as not being eligible for support on the basis that their income was too high.

- a) The mean rent increase experienced is £236.82 per month and the median is £226.92 per month.
- b) A total of 92 tenants have been required to move to facilitate large-scale refurbishments during that period.