

**WRITTEN QUESTION TO THE MINISTER FOR HOUSING AND COMMUNITIES
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ANSWER TO BE TABLED ON MONDAY 24th MAY 2021**

Question

Will the Minister provide updated figures for –

- (a) the current number of Affordable Housing Gateway applications, to include a breakdown of the bands each application is in and the number of bedrooms required;
- (b) the number of homes currently under construction by Andium Homes, including the number of bedrooms per home and their estimated completion date; and
- (c) the number of homes for which Andium Homes has obtained planning permission but which are not, as yet, under construction?

Answer

(a) *Affordable Housing Gateway Month End Statistics 30th April 2021.*

Total active applicants assessed and accepted onto the Gateway for Affordable Accommodation within each Priority Band.

Band	Number
Band 1 – Highest Priority – this Band refers to applicants who are actually homeless, under eviction notice, in tied accommodation, urgent medical issues, no rights to current accommodation such as staying with family or forced to live apart as present accommodation is not suitable. For transferring tenants in social housing this refers to those under occupying their current home and urgent medical circumstances.	430
Band 2 – This Band refers to cases of overcrowding, poor housing standards, moderate medical. For transferring tenants in social housing this refers to those suffering from grave overcrowding or moderate medical circumstances.	304
Band 3 – This Band reflects applicants whose current accommodation is unaffordable given their personal circumstances.	242
Band 4 – This Band refers to those who wish to move to better accommodation and are able to re-house themselves in the private sector without financial assistance.	3
Band 5 – This Band refers to those who wish to purchase an affordable home, homes sold below the open market value to households who need some form of assistance to get on the property ladder.	1996
Band 6 – This Band is reserved for agency referrals through the Supported Housing Group. For transferring tenants in social housing this is reserved for agency referrals for transfers through the Supported Housing Group or Independent Living Team.	51
TOTAL	3026

Band 1 Total = 427

Studio/Bedsit= 42

1 Bed = 257

2 Bed = 74

3 Bed = 35

4 Bed = 15

5 Bed = 4

Band 2 Total = 304

Studio/Bedsit= 14

1 Bed = 83

2 Bed = 87

3 Bed = 95

4 Bed = 25

Band 3 Total = 249

Studio/Bedsit= 18

1 Bed = 121

2 Bed = 70

3 Bed = 35

4 Bed = 4

5 Bed = 1

Band 4 Total = 3

1 Bed = 3

(Purchase) Band 5 Total = 2043

1 Bed = 295

2 Bed = 788

3 Bed = 887

4 Bed = 72

5 Bed = 1

(b) The number of homes currently under construction by Andium Homes is set out in the table below

Project	Estimated Completion	1 Bed	2 Bed	3 Bed
La Collette Low-Rise	Jul-23	73	65	9
Ann Court	Mar-23	130	35	-
Le Clos Couriard	Jan-22	53	22	7
Le Clos Mourant	Nov-21	10	27	53
Plaisant Place	Jul-21	18	3	-
Clos de Pierre	Jun-21	-	-	25
33 Belmont Road	Jul-21	2	1	-
75 Colomberie	Jun-21	4	-	-
Pine Ridge	Oct-21	-	-	1
Total		290	153	95

(c) Andium Homes has planning permission for 251 homes which are not yet under construction.

Breakdown of the 251 by bed size is below:-

One Bed	82
Two Bed	140
Three Bed	29