

Dún Laoghaire-Rathdown County Council

Housing Allocations Report for 2021

Dún Laoghaire-Rathdown County Council's current Allocations Scheme was adopted by the Elected Members of the Council in April 2021 following consultation with the Housing SPC and was made in accordance with Section 22 of the Housing (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act 2009 and the Social Housing Regulations.

The Scheme provides the framework through which all available social housing properties are allocated to households that have been deemed eligible for social housing support in accordance with Section 20 of the Housing (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act, 2009. It also provides the framework for existing tenants of the Council who have applied to the Council for a transfer to alternative accommodation on specific transfer grounds.

Despite continuing Covid restrictions in 2021 the allocations of properties continued. Dún Laoghaire-Rathdown County Council allocated a total of 314 properties in accordance with the Allocation Scheme.

We continued to provide housing for people with a disability, with 27% of all allocations in 2021 going to persons with a disability.

The properties allocated in 2021 were a mix of Council-owned and Approved Housing Body homes. The breakdown of the ownership of these properties is as follows:

Allocation of Properties in 2021

Owned by	Number of Properties
Dún Laoghaire-Rathdown County Council	185
Approved Housing Bodies	129
Total	314

Breakdown of Properties Allocated by Bed Size:

Bed Size	Number of Properties
1 bed	127
2 bed	122
3 bed	59
4 bed (plus)	6
Total	314

The Allocation Scheme provides for the allocation of properties to households on the Housing Waiting List and existing tenants on the Council's transfer lists. The breakdown of the allocations in this regard is as follows;

Breakdown of Allocations in 2021 - Applicants & Tenants

List	Number of Properties
Housing Waiting List (Applicants)	206
Transfer List (Tenants)	108
Total	314

Included in the 206 allocations to households on the Housing Waiting List were 28 allocations to households registered as Homeless with the Council.

Of the 314 allocations, 83 of these were to Overall Priorities.

Breakdown of Allocations in 2020 to Transfers

Bed Size	Number of Transfers
1 bed	37
2 bed	37
3 bed	30
4 bed	4
Total	108

In 2021 we continued to promote “Downsizing” for existing Council tenants as a way to facilitate the needs of those who find their current accommodation too big or unsuitable to their need. Included in the 108 transfer allocations listed above were 6 allocations to households that were approved to downsize. We also prioritise all applications to downsize and will continue to make every effort to match them to a suitable property in 2022.