

FOI 560/2016

REQUEST AND RESPONSE

- How many households are currently registered on your housing register (and actively seeking a home)? **1481 as at 8/12/2016**

- How many households applied to join your housing register in the 2015-2016 financial year? **684**

- How many of those households were accepted onto the register? **479**

- How many of those applicants were turned down? **205**

- What were the main reasons why they were turned down? **98 – not resident in the district for at least 3 years**

the district

53 – not resident in

housing need

54 – no demonstrable

- What are your council's local connection requirements? **3 years residence before applying. Exceptions include current and former members of the armed forces, residents placed in specialist accommodation not available in the district (e.g women's refuge) and applications made under the Right to Move Order**

- How many households on your housing register are transfer tenants seeking transfer to a new property? **237**

- Does your council make direct offers of social housing? If Yes, how many direct offers were made in the 2015-2016 financial year?

This Council does not operate choice based lettings so all offers and nominations are direct offers. In 2015/16, the Council made 258 offers and nominated to 108 housing association properties

- From what bands/points ranges are people on your housing register most likely to be made an offer of council housing?

Houses, bungalows and ground floor flats – A & B. Upper floor flats – A, B & C.

- In those "most likely to be made an offer" bands/points ranges:

What was the median waiting time for an eligible household in 2015-2016 for:

• A one bedroom home **12 months**

• A two bedroom home **14 months**

- A three bedroom home **18 months**
- A four bedroom home **36 months**

Please also send me a copy of your council's housing allocation policy. **Attached.**