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Dear Cllr Bennett-Sylvester

Supplementary question at Council – 4th October 2023

Thank you for your supplementary question at the Council meeting regarding the respective workloads of the area housing teams and how the distribution of staff resources reflects that.

I have raised this matter with the Assistant Director of Housing and can advise that the ratio of housing management staff within each of the three locality teams and within the respective Wards was determined some time ago using a range of factors. These included the number of Council homes within the area, the level of ASB and other casework being received and managed, the profile of the housing stock, recognising that some stock, such as blocks of flats, require additional management time to undertake work activity such as communal area inspections etc. On this basis, staff resources were deployed in proportion to the service demands within the respective areas.

It is a little while since this exercise was undertaken. I have therefore asked the service to complete the exercise again and ensure that staff resources remain suitably deployed.

I hope this is helpful.

Yours sincerely



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