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This paper provides an update on our data collection and publication plans for 2022-23.

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## Background

It is essential that the housing statistics collected and published by the Welsh Government are accurate and timely to ensure that policies can be developed and monitored effectively.

However, in recent years, the COVID-19 pandemic has had a prolonged impact on our data collection/publication arrangements. Many of the regular housing data collections and statistical outputs produced by the Welsh Government were cancelled or postponed during 2020-21 and then subsequently restarted during 2021-22.

## Summary of plans

In drafting the data collection/publication timetable for 2022-23, careful consideration was given to when data on various topics was needed during the year, the burden placed on data providers and the data collection team, as well

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as how the order affects the validation between different collections.

For the 2022-23 timetable (data collections relating to the 2021-22 period), we are proposing the following:

- An annual homelessness collection will be undertaken with some data tables removed. No quarterly data will be requested during 2022-23. This is the same approach as adopted for the previous year's annual data collection. This proposal is for 2021-22 data only and will be reviewed for future years.
- New house build data will only be collected annually for the 2021-22 period. No quarterly annual data breakdown for 2021-22 will be requested. For the 2022-23 financial year, we will re-commence the quarterly annual data collections for local authorities only. The first collection will commence in July 2022 covering the April to June 2022 period.
- The monthly homelessness accommodation / rough sleeper data collection of management information will continue until at least March 2023 (local authorities only).

The detailed data collection timetable for 2022-23 is outlined in the table below:

## Housing Data Collections: timetable for 2022-23

Data Collection	Forms sent out	Return date
Newbuild, Annual: April 2021-March 2022	08 April 2022	06 May 2022
Newbuild, Quarter: April-June 2022 (LAs only)	01 July 2022	15 July 2022
Newbuild, Quarter: July-September 2022 (LAs only)	30 September 2022	14 October 2022
Newbuild, Quarter: October-December 2022 (LAs only)	06 January 2023	20 January 2023
Homelessness, Annual: April 2021-March 2022	08 April 2022	13 May 2022

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<b>Data Collection</b>	<b>Forms sent out</b>	<b>Return date</b>
(LAs only)		
Stock at 31 March 2022 and Weekly rents 2022-23	08 April 2022	13 May 2022
Sales by Welsh Social Landlords 2021-22	08 April 2022	13 May 2022
Welsh Housing Quality Standard 2021-22	06 June 2022	27 June 2022
Rent Agreement / SAP 2021-22	-	-
Vacancies 2021-22	21 October 2022	25 November 2022
Lettings 2021-22	21 October 2022	25 November 2022
Rent Arrears 2021-22	21 October 2022	25 November 2022
Affordable Housing Provision 2021-22	10 June 2022	08 July 2022
Demolitions, Hazards and Licences 2021-22 (LAs only)	09 September 2022	07 October 2022
Assistance for Housing Improvement 2021-22 (LAs only)	14 October 2022	11 November 2022
Disabled Facilities Grants (DFG) 2021-22 (LAs only)	14 October 2022	11 November 2022
Renewal Area Activity 2021-22 (LAs only)	14 October 2022	11 November 2022

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Note that data collections scheduled during the second half of the financial year are currently under review. This may include a reduced data requirement but will not include any additional information to that requested in previous years. We will keep you informed of any changes.

## Next steps

The data collection team and the housing statistics team within the Welsh Government are currently in discussions with policy colleagues to determine ongoing evidence requirements and agree a data submission/publication timetable for 2023-24 (capturing data for the 2022-23 period).

Further updates will be provided to HIG as and when they are available.

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