

27 April 2026

Dear

### **ATISN 26871 – Affordable homes**

Thank you for your request which I received on 4 April.

You noted the following:

“The Programme for Government published in June 2021 and updated in December 2021, along with the Minister for Climate Change’s Written Statement on Social Housing in Wales (15 June 2021), sets out a commitment to deliver 20,000 new low carbon homes for rent within the social sector during this current government term”

You asked for the following information:

- (a) How many of these new homes for rent were “low carbon”?*
- (b) Does the Welsh Government have accurate figures relating to the three elements of the Manifesto promise and subsequent target and if so, what are they?*
- (c) What is the actual number of new low carbon homes for rent delivered since 2021 and does the statistics division dispute any of the data cited in this request?*

### **Our response**

(a) An explanation is provided in the Affordable housing quality report ([Additional affordable housing provision: quality report | GOV.WALES](#)). Whilst the data collected doesn’t specifically capture information on carbon levels, all homes that count toward the target are required to meet specific standards including energy efficiency.

(b)&(c) Further information can be found in the following statistical release:

[Additional affordable housing provision: quality report | GOV.WALES](#)

A [Written Statement](#) of 15 June 2021 confirmed the target was defined within the recognised TAN2 affordable housing definition and therefore include social homes for rent, intermediate homes for rent and shared ownership schemes.

It is not appropriate for Welsh Government officials to comment on political party manifestos.

### **Next steps**

If you are dissatisfied with the Welsh Government's handling of your request, you can ask for an internal review within 40 working days of the date of this response. Requests for an internal review should be addressed to the Welsh Government's Freedom of Information Officer at:

Information Rights Unit  
Welsh Government  
Cathays Park  
Cardiff  
CF10 3NQ

or e-mail: [Freedom.ofinformation@gov.wales](mailto:Freedom.ofinformation@gov.wales)

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Information Commissioner's Office  
Wycliffe House  
Water Lane  
Wilmslow  
Cheshire  
SK9 5AF

Website: [www.ico.org.uk](http://www.ico.org.uk)

However, please note that the Commissioner will not normally investigate a complaint until it has been through our own internal review process.

Yours sincerely