

22/09/2026

Dear

ATISN 27451 – New houses in Port Talbot

Information requested

Thank you for your request which I received on 03/09/2026. You noted:
“There are new houses being built on the grounds of the Old Dyffryn Comprehensive School / Dyffryn Lower Comprehensive School. This is between York Place & Devonshire Place and Talcennau Road & Broad Street.”

You asked for:

1. Who are these houses built for.
2. How many HMOs are there in the Affan Ogwr Rhondda Constituency.
3. How many illegal Immigrants are recently housed in these HMOs.
4. How many people have been allowed into Wales under Plaid Cymru's Nation of Sanctuary.

Our response

1. Who are these houses built for?

The homes have been identified for general needs. The Welsh Government does not collect information on individuals or households for whom general needs homes are intended for.

Allocation of social housing is carried out in accordance with the relevant Local Authority's housing allocation policy and waiting list arrangements. Further information on allocations may be available from the appropriate Local Authorities.

2. How many HMOs are there in the Affan Orwr Rhondda Constituency?

Welsh Government does not hold information on the number of Houses in Multiple Occupation (HMO) within the Afan Ogwr Rhondda constituency.

Local Authorities are responsible for licensing HMOs and are required to publish and maintain up-to-date public registers of licensed HMOs. Information on HMO licensing in Wales can be found on the Welsh Government Website:

<https://www.gov.wales/houses-multiple-occupation-hmo-licensing-31-march-2025-html>

3. How many illegal Immigrants are recently housed in these HMOs?

Immigration, including asylum and the status and capacity of persons in the United Kingdom who are not British citizens are reserved matters to the UK Government. The placement of asylum seekers in Wales is determined by Home Office processes.

4.How many people have been allowed into Wales under Plaid Cymru's Nation of Sanctuary?

Asylum accommodation is provided by the UK Government, through the Home Office under the Immigration and Asylum Act 1999. The Home Office publish quarterly statistics on asylum seekers receiving support, including figures by Local Authority area in Wales. The latest data from June 2026 can be found here:

<https://www.gov.uk/government/statistical-data-sets/immigration-system-statistics-data-tables>

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Information Rights Unit,
Welsh Government,
Cathays Park,
Cardiff,
CF10 3NQ

or Email: Freedom.ofinformation@gov.wales

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

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

Yours sincerely