

QUESTION NO 12

**By Councillor Rae for answer by the
Convener of the Housing,
Homelessness and Fair Work
Committee at a meeting of the
Council on 8 February 2024**

Question (1) What is the total number of voids as of 8th February 2024?

Answer (1)

Question (2) What is the total cost to the Council of providing temporary accommodation for 1500 households?

Answer (2)

Question (3) What proportion of the money spent on private temporary accommodation in 2023 was spent on accommodation that is legally unsuitable under the Unsuitable Accommodation Order?

Answer (3)

Question (4) What prioritization criteria exist for selecting which voids to bring back into use? For instance, are properties of certain sizes or in certain areas of the city targeted first?

Answer (4)

Question (5) What are the current main barriers for bringing voids back into use quicker?

Answer (5)

Question (6) Against the projection for “reduction in voids to normal turnover” as detailed in the latest HSIP update, what progress has been made against the October 2023 and December 2023 targets?

Answer (6)

Question (7) What is the plan for the forecasted remaining 566 voids in October 2024 as detailed in the “reduction in voids to normal turnover” targets in the latest HSIP update?

Answer (7)

Question (8) Of the 4,920 households in temporary accommodation as of 24 November 2023:

- a) How many households contain children?
- b) How many children are in those households?
- c) Of those households, how many are in:
 - i) social sector accommodation;
 - ii) Bed and Breakfast accommodation;
 - iii) hostels;
 - iv) hotels;
 - v) PSL accommodation;
 - vi) other accommodation
- d) What is the average length of stay for those households currently in temporary accommodation?
- e) What is the average length of stay for households with children currently in temporary accommodation?
- f) What is the longest amount of time a household with children currently in temporary accommodation has been in temporary accommodation?
- g) What is the breakdown by ethnicity of those households currently in temporary accommodation?

Answer (8)