



**Housing and Technical Resources**

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**Area Services**

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Dear Sir

**Housing Statistics** - **Local Letting Policy**  
- **TAMU**

I refer to your request for statistics on the above matters and write to update you.

I would apologise for the delay in replying formally to you in this instance.

**Letting Policy**

**Q1** How many Council houses in Stonehouse have been let to persons deemed homeless and how does this compare to Larkhall, Netherburn and Ashgill?

**Ans:** From 1 April 2007 to 31 March 2008 a total of 138 allocations were made to applicants who were deemed to be homeless.

In relation to the areas managed by the Larkhall office the breakdown is as follows.

Larkhall	77
Stonehouse	24
Eddlewood	13
Ashgill	10
Netherburn	7
Strathaven	4
Glassford	3
Total	138

**Q2** How many houses are currently empty within Stonehouse and how long have they been empty. Please provide addresses and dates?

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**Ans:** At the time of writing the following properties have not been formally accepted by the prospective tenants.

22 Wilson Street	Void from 18.02.08	-	Subject to 3 offers
6 Patrickholm Avenue	Void from 25.03.08	-	Provisionally accepted
94 Lockhart Street	Void from 24.02.08	-	Kitchen & Bathroom being fitted

**Q3** What is the average void time for a council house in Stonehouse and how does this compare to other areas in South Lanarkshire?

**Ans:** Please find listed, by area office, details of average void duration for properties vacated from 1 April 2007 to 29 February 2008.

	Average Relet Time (days)
Larkhall (including Stonehouse)	27
East Kilbride	17
Blantyre	24
Rutherglen	26
Cambuslang	21
Hamilton	30
Lanark	29

**Q4** The recent housing consultation document made reference to local letting policy. Can you provide a copy of these for each area within South Lanarkshire?

**Ans:** At this time the local plans are not available. As you will be aware the consultation exercise on the allocations policy ended on 29 February 2008. The results of this consultation are currently being assessed by local managers and the proposals for the plans and the targets in relation to letting are part of this review and may well be amended taking on board comments received. I would anticipate that the review should be completed by June/July 2008 and I would be happy to provide you with a copy of all plans at that time.

### **TAMU Statistics**

**Q1** How many complaints from residents or others have you recorded in the last year against each Bed & Breakfast and TAMU unit located in Stonehouse?

**Ans:** I can advise that for period April 2007 – March 2008 four complaints were received in the Housing Department concerning B & B and TAMU units.

I trust you find this information helpful. Should, however, you require any further information please do not hesitate to contact me.

Yours faithfully

  
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