

Cllr Dinah Barry to Cllr Gina Needs, Cabinet Member for Social Housing.

What is the longest time that any households with a high health and wellbeing assessment resulting in them having the highest level of priority has been waiting on the housing register?

The category High Health and Wellbeing was introduced in 2013 under the previous allocations scheme. This awarded 1000 points to those households assessed as having a high medical need. Under that scheme, most households with High Health and Wellbeing points were able to bid for properties. Our oldest high health and wellbeing cases date back to this time and reflects that it was dependent on applicants choosing to bid on properties.

The new allocations scheme also has High Health and Wellbeing at 1000 points. However, it recognises that where there is a high Health and Wellbeing need, there is a need for urgent rehousing. Under the new scheme, households with a High Health and Wellbeing need are entitled to one direct offer and are no longer able to bid for properties.

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