

**Performance Report for Quarter 4 2015**  
**relating to the Protocol Governing Delegation of Section 10 Funding for Homeless Services**  
**to each of the 9 Regions**

**NORTH WEST REGION**

*(Please complete this report for the Quarter under review and please see Accompanying Notes for detailed explanations relating to the indicators below)*

**Part 1**

**1. 2015 Target for Accommodating Homeless Persons with Full Tenancies**

<b>Table 1: Individuals moved on to independent living</b>					
<b>Target number of units for 2015</b>	<b>Number of Accommodation Units Delivered with Full Tenancies</b>	<b>Quarterly Total Units</b>	<b>Total Units to Date in 2015</b>	<b>Quarterly Total Persons</b>	<b>Total Persons to Date in 2015</b>
	Local Authority Lettings: number of new lettings, re-lets, leasing, purchase/acquisitions, NAMA and other delivery mechanisms	5 (Sligo) 4 (Donegal)	25	12 (Sligo) 4 (Donegal)	35
	AHB Lettings: number of new lettings and re-lets (via LA nominations), LTS (long-term supported accommodation) leasing, purchase/acquisitions (via CALF and/or private finance), CAS, NAMA and other delivery mechanisms	2 (Sligo)	9	3 (Sligo)	11
	Private Rented (RAS and Rent Supplement, etc.)	2 (Sligo) 5 (Donegal)	28	3 (Sligo) 5 (Donegal)	29
	<b>Totals</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>62</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>75</b>

**NOTE:** Leitrim County Council does not have a target in this regard as we have no long term homeless individuals living in emergency accommodation. We propose to continue to deal with homelessness cases presenting through the sourcing and provision of suitable private rented accommodation (with rent deposit and rent supplement assistance as required) or through the provision of standard local authority tenancies from within our housing stock. The provision of emergency B&B type accommodation has only ever been used on a very short-term basis pending the sourcing of suitable alternative accommodation.

## Part 2

### **2. Number of new presentations on a daily basis**

**NOTE:** A total of 15 Homeless households presented to Leitrim County Council during Qtr 4 2015 – the details in relation to the individual presentations, including the Council's response, are outlined below. Based on the additional clarification provided by the Department however this Table 2 is primarily concerned with the number of new individuals becoming homeless - information sought relates to individuals presenting and accepted into Section 10 funded homeless services – only the details of those genuinely homeless are sought e.g. details are not being sought in relation to individuals that might present to homeless services but are not deemed to be homeless by the housing authority as they may have alternative accommodation or the means to provide their own accommodation.

Leitrim County Council has had one placement in Emergency B&B Accommodation during Quarter 4 2015. There is no specific emergency accommodation within County Leitrim and B&B/ Hotel accommodation is used in exceptional circumstances on a very short term basis as needs arise. In terms of the 15 households that presented as homeless in Quarter 4 in Leitrim the following is the breakdown:

• Socially Housed	0
• SHLI Contract negotiated	2
• Rent Deposit Approved/Paid	4
• Seeking to secure alternative private rented accommodation	7
• Application for social housing support to be submitted for assessment	2
• Applicant deemed ineligible	0
<b>Total</b>	<b>15</b>

<b>Table 2: Number of new presentations on a daily basis</b>			
	<b>New</b>	<b>Repeat</b>	
Number of presentations in reporting period	<b>12</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>Leitrim</b>
	<b>14</b>	<b>57</b>	<b>Sligo</b>
	<b>39</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>Donegal</b>
<b>Totals:</b>	<b>65</b>	<b>68</b>	
Number of days in reporting period	<b>92</b>	<b>92</b>	<b>-----</b>
<b>Daily average</b>	<b>.70</b>	<b>.73</b>	

Additional Information:

<b>Table 3: Number of placements or unique individuals in emergency accommodation</b>				
<b>Service</b>	<b>Number</b>	<b>Number Offered Accommodation</b>	<b>Number of 'No shows'</b>	<b>Number unable to be accommodated due to insufficient capacity/unsuitability (Sleeping bags booked and collected)</b>
<b>Placement Service</b>	<b>78 (Sligo) 50 (Donegal)</b>	<b>74 (Sligo) 47 (Donegal)</b>	<b>3 (Sligo)</b>	<b>4 (Sligo) 3 (Donegal)</b>
<b>Total</b>	<b>128</b>	<b>121</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>7</b>

<b>Household</b>	<b>Household Composition</b>	<b>Support Provided by Leitrim County Council</b>
<b>1.</b>	Single Applicant with one child	Landlord requested household to vacate PRA. Household has sourced suitable alternative PRA. Approved for payment of deposit subject to submission of the required documentation.
<b>2.</b>	Single Applicant	Applicant stated to be subjected to abuse in family home and found it necessary to leave the property. Application for SHS issued for completion in order to facilitate an assessment of applicant's housing need.
<b>3.</b>	Single Applicant	Currently residing with friends. Application for SHS previously assessed and household included on HWL. Approved for payment of deposit subject to submission of the required documentation.
<b>4.</b>	Couple with one child (Traveller family)	Household is residing unofficially with extended family in accommodation provided by Leitrim County Council. Application for SHS reviewed and updated. Actively seeking to source suitable alternative PRA.
<b>5.</b>	Couple (Traveller family)	Household was residing unofficially with extended family in accommodation which was secured by Leitrim County Council under RAS. Tenants vacated the accommodation and the property was subsequently secured under a SHLI Contract to meet the household's accommodation requirements.
<b>6.</b>	Single Applicant	Household unable to pay monthly rent independently in accommodation previously shared with family member. Application for SHS reviewed and updated. Actively seeking to source suitable alternative PRA.
<b>7.</b>	Single Applicant (Traveller family)	On Notice to Quit existing PRA. Application for SHS reviewed and updated. Actively seeking to source suitable alternative PRA. Accommodation is currently shared with extended family.
<b>8.</b>	Single Applicant	Under the terms of a Consent Order the Court ordered sale of

		household's current accommodation. Application for SHS assessed and household included on HWL to facilitate access to RAS until a final determination is made in relation to the former family home
9.	Single Applicant	On Notice to Quit existing PRA. Period of Notice afforded is not adequate in accordance with provisions of relevant legislation. Application for SHS reviewed and updated. Actively seeking to source suitable alternative PRA
10.	Couple with one child (Traveller family)	Household was residing unofficially with extended family in accommodation which was secured by Leitrim County Council under SHLI Contract. Tenants vacated the accommodation and the property was subsequently secured under a fresh SHLI Contract to meet the household's accommodation requirements.
11.	Single Applicant	On Notice to Quit existing PRA due to alleged issues of Anti-Social Behaviour and rent arrears. Application for SHS reviewed and updated. Actively seeking to source suitable alternative PRA
12.	Single Applicant	Required to leave former family home due to Domestic Violence – subject of a Safety Order. Application for SHS issued for completion in order to facilitate an assessment of applicant's housing need
13.	Couple with three children	Household initially unable to meet increased rent payments. Property subsequently damaged in house fire. Application for SHS reviewed and updated. Actively seeking to source suitable alternative PRA
14.	Single Applicant	Required to leave PRA shared with father due to alleged abusive behaviour. Application for SHS as independent single adult household reviewed and updated. Actively seeking to source suitable alternative PRA
15.	Single Applicant	Required to leave PRA (unofficially being shared with tenant) due to alleged breakdown in relationship. Application for SHS assessed, 3 nights emergency accommodation provided in B & B and approved for payment of deposit subject to submission of the required documentation.

### 3. Number of persons in emergency accommodation for longer than 6 months

**Note:** There are no persons currently in emergency accommodation within the functional area of Leitrim County Council. There is no specific emergency accommodation within County Leitrim and B&B/ Hotel accommodation is used in exceptional circumstances on a very short term basis as needs arise.

**Table 4: Number of persons in emergency accommodation for longer than 6 months**

	<b>Number of Persons on last day of Quarter</b>	<b>Resident &lt; 6 Months</b>	<b>Resident &gt; 6 Months</b>	
<b>Emergency Accommodation</b>			<i><b>Consecutively or continuously in emergency accommodation for longer than 6 months</b></i>	<i><b>Non-consecutively or cumulatively in emergency accommodation for longer than 6 months in the previous 12 month period</b></i>
<b>Temporary Emergency (i.e. accommodation owned by a housing authority, AHB or by a homeless service)</b>	14 (Sligo) 15(Donegal)	12 (Sligo) 12 (Donegal)	2 (Sligo) 3 (Donegal)	4 (Sligo) 4 (Donegal)
<b>Private Emergency ( i.e. accommodation rented directly from landlords)</b>				
<b>Other Private Emergency Accommodation (i.e. hotels and B&amp;Bs)</b>				
<b>Total</b>	<b>29</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>8</b>

**Additional Information:**

Given that there are no emergency accommodation facilities in Leitrim there are no clients with a support plan. People who present as homeless have a full Housing Needs Assessment completed to identify the most appropriate support. The Housing Staff provide information, advice and support as necessary in relation to securing accommodation and work with other agencies as appropriate to address problems and ensure the necessary supports are in place.

North West Simon operates a tenancy sustainment service within the County but this service is primarily focused on preventing homelessness. The Housing Department also focuses on tenancy sustainment and support within our own housing stock, with particular supports put in place for clients who presented as homeless and are provided with standard local authority tenancies. Referrals are made as necessary to other Agencies to assist these households in sustaining their tenancies.



<b>Table 5: Number of clients with a support plan</b>		
<b>Accommodation Category</b>	<b>Total Number of Persons During the Quarter</b>	<b>Number with a Support Plan</b>
Temporary Emergency (i.e. accommodation owned by a housing authority, AHB or by a homeless service)	27 (Sligo) 12 (Donegal)	17 (Sligo) 12 (Donegal)
Private Emergency ( i.e. accommodation rented directly from landlords)	0	0
Other Private Emergency Accommodation (i.e. hotels and B&Bs)	2 (Sligo) 13 (Donegal)	1 (Sligo)
Other - <i>Focus Units – Sligo</i>	2 (Sligo)	2 (Sligo)
<i>White Oaks – Donegal</i>	40	40
<b>Totals</b>	<b>96</b>	<b>72</b>

Those recorded as without care plans either did not engage or were deemed not eligible for homeless services after a complete assessment was carried out.

#### 4. Number of persons leaving emergency accommodation

**Note:** As above, there are no emergency accommodation facilities in Leitrim.

<b>Table 6: Number of persons leaving emergency accommodation</b>	
Moved to new/independent accommodation	9(Sligo) 9 (Donegal)
Staying with family or friends	12 (Sligo) 34 (Donegal)
Relocated to another country	0
Departure to Medical Facilities: Hospital	0
Departure to Medical Facilities: Residential Treatment	0
Departure to Correctional Facilities: Prison (on remand)	0
Service User Deceased	1 (Sligo)
<b>Total</b>	<b>65</b>

#### 5. Occupancy rate in emergency accommodation

**Note:** As above, there are no emergency accommodation facilities in Leitrim and accordingly this indicator is not applicable in the Leitrim context

<b>Table 7: Occupancy rate in emergency accommodation</b>		<b>Totals</b>
Total number of beds available at 31 <sup>st</sup> December 2015	25 (Sligo) 28(Donegal)	53
Number of beds occupied at 31 <sup>st</sup> December 2015	15 (Sligo) 15 (Donegal)	30

## 6. Number of persons moving on into independent living with support

**Note:** N/A in the Leitrim context. (No accommodation in County Leitrim managed by the not for profit sector and where the individuals are receiving support)

<b>Table 8: Number of persons moving on into independent living with support</b>		
<b>Persons moved on into independent living with support</b>	<b>Secure Licence</b>	<b>Secure Tenancy</b>
Number in supported accommodation	2 (Sligo)	1 (Donegal)
Number in local authority owned accommodation with support	0	2 (Sligo) 1 (Donegal)
Number in private rented accommodation with floating support services	0	2 (Sligo) 2 (Donegal)
<b>Totals:</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>8</b>

Additional Information:

<b>Table 9: Number of former service users supported by SLI</b>		
<b>SLI Service Provider</b>	<b>Number of Persons Currently Supported</b>	<b>Number of Persons Previously Supported but No Longer Requiring Support</b>
Focus	9	0
Simon	0	0
Other – SVP	20	5
<b>Total</b>	<b>29</b>	<b>5</b>

## 7. Number of persons moving on into independent living without support

**Note:** There was no household within the administrative area of Leitrim County Council that was 'moving on' into independent living.

<b>Table 10: Number of persons moving on into independent living without support</b>	
<b>Persons moved on into independent living without support</b>	
Number in private rented accommodation without support	4 (Donegal)
Number in local authority owned accommodation without support	3(Sligo) 1 (Donegal)
Number in other (non-private rented and non-local authority owned) accommodation without support	0
<b>Totals:</b>	<b>8</b>

## 8. Number of persons sleeping rough voluntarily and involuntarily

**Note:** There are no persons that we are aware of sleeping rough within the administrative area of Leitrim County Council.

<b>Table 11: Number of persons sleeping rough voluntarily and involuntarily</b>		
Persons sleeping rough		With a Support Plan
Number of persons sleeping rough voluntarily at <i>(specify date)</i>		0
Number of persons sleeping rough involuntarily at <i>(specify date)</i>		0
Number of persons sleeping rough with a PASS record		0

Additional Information:

<b>Table 12: Number of persons recorded as rough sleepers engaging/in contact with Outreach Team</b>	
Persons recorded as rough sleepers engaging/in contact with Outreach Team	During the Quarter
Number of persons in contact with Outreach Team Bedded Down	0
Number of persons in contact with Outreach Team Not Bedded Down	0
<b>Total Individuals in contact with Outreach Team</b>	<b>0</b>
Number of persons who also used Emergency Accommodation	0

### Part 3

## 9. Meetings of the Management Group and Consultative Fora

<b>Table 13: Details of Management Group, Consultative Fora and HATs</b>		
	Dates of meetings held in the quarter under review	Membership Details
Statutory Management Group	Quota met in 2015	Reps from Sligo County Council, Leitrim County Council & Donegal County Council. The HSE are in regular attendance since Q3 2014 which was incorrectly stated in the Performance Reports for Q3 & Q4 of 2014.
Regional Homelessness Consultative Forum	10 <sup>th</sup> December 2015	Reps from the 3 Local Authorities, NW Simon, Sligo Social Services, FOCUS Ireland, HSE, Sligo VEC, Public Representative, DVAS, SVDP, Probation Services, Department of Social Protection, Cluid Housing Association,
Homelessness Action Team - Sligo	16/10/2015 11/11/2015	Sligo County Council, HSE Learning Disability Services, HSE Mental Health



	25/11/2015 9/12/2015	<i>Services, NW Simon, Sligo Social Services, Finisklin Housing Association, Department of Social Protection, FOCUS Ireland, HSE Older Persons Social Worker, DVAS (do not attend), HSE Addiction Services, HSE Leaving &amp; After Care, Probation Services.</i>
Homeless Action Team – Donegal	21/10/2015 16/11/2015 16/12/2015	<i>Donegal HATS has reps from Donegal County Council, HSE, NW Simon, St. Colmcille Hostel &amp; STEER.</i>
Homelessness Action Team	No HAT in Leitrim in context of no Emergency accommodation	

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