

Notice of Motion – Housing & Disability

for the meeting of full Council on Monday 24th September, 2018

Council notes that our housing list includes approximately 450 qualified households (2017 data) that are categorised with various disabilities.

Council further notes our obligation under UN Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities (CRPD) to provide ‘adequate housing’ for people with disabilities.

According Council requests as follows:

1. A report detailing the current number of qualified households on our housing list, where disability exists.
2. A report detailing the number of households where disability exists that are excluded from our housing list, as their housing need is deemed to be satisfied, but that are inadequately housed in a HAP, RAS or other publically supported accommodation.
3. That this Council write separately to both the Minister for Housing and the Minister with responsibility for Disabilities requesting that people with disabilities currently in HAP/RAS, and such, be included in the housing list if they are not in adequate accommodation.
4. A report detailing the number of ‘adequate houses’ allocated, or adjustments made to reach adequacy in existing properties, to people/households with disabilities during 2015, 2016, 2017 and year to date 2018.
5. What policy, if any, is in place to ensure that new social or affordable housing, whether sourced directly or with the Approved Housing Bodies or through acquisition, is disability friendly or has provision made for easy adjustment, wet rooms, wheelchair accessibility etc.
6. What additional resource and/or guidelines has Council received from Government following the ratification of CRPD in order to assist with the implementation of the terms of the Convention.
7. When will Council produce the information leaflet agreed by Council in last May?

“That the Executive prepare a brochure/leaflet for users of Council services outlining the rights of people with disabilities and Council’s commitment to equality – to be made available at all points where services are offered. That this brochure should also invite suggestions from members of the public, or from organisations dealing with disabilities, in regards to its implementation of the Convention – and that these be reported to Council periodically.”

Motion submitted by:



An Comhairleoir Diarmaid Ó Cadhla
on Sunday 16th September 2018