

FOI REF:	15382
RESPONSE SENT:	14 April 2025

Request and Response

1. A list of all the different priority “bands” (or levels, or categories) in the council’s social housing register/waiting list, and the current criteria for inclusion in each band

Band 1- Urgent Priority

Applicants who fall into this category will be households who need to move because of:

- (a) Emergency Cases – Usually on health or welfare grounds or
- (b) Emergency Management Transfers

Band 2 – High Priority

Applicants who fall into this category will be households who need to move because of:

- (a) Statutory Homeless Duties (after a period of time in temporary accommodation).
- (b) Overcrowding by Two Bedrooms (excluding those in temporary accommodation).
- (c) Serious Disrepair.
- (d) High Medical or Welfare Grounds.
- (e) Vulnerable applicants in Supported Housing ready for Move On.
- (f) Existing Social Housing Tenants (Social / Affordable rent) Under occupying their Current Accommodation.
- (g) Management Transfers, including Decants.

Band 3 – Medium Priority

Applicants who fall into this category will be households who need to move because of:

- (a) Overcrowding by one bedroom.
- (b) Temporary/insecure housing.
- (c) Lacking/sharing facilities.
- (d) Medium Medical or Welfare Grounds.
- (e) Social housing tenants living in two-bedroom flats that have two children.
- (f) Existing social housing tenants (Accepted in accordance with the Right to Move Regulations / living in a Market Rent).
- (g) Social Housing Tenants living in a Bedsit/Studio Flat.

(h) Owed a Prevention or Relief duty under the Homelessness Reduction Act 2017.

Band 4 - Low Priority

Applicants who fall into this category will be households who need to move because of:

- a) Low Medical or Welfare Grounds.
- b) Living in tied or Armed Forces accommodation.
- c) Wish to be considered for difficult to let properties. This will normally be extra care or sheltered accommodation.
- d) Applicants who are serving prison sentences and who on release will have a housing need or be homeless and have a local connection to one of the Councils.

2. The number of people currently in each priority band

As of 18 March 2025, **1,594** households are currently registered on Winchester City Councils Housing Register.

Band 1	Band 2	Band 3	Band 4	Total
1	224	1269	100	1594

3. The average time the people in each priority band have been on the social housing register/waiting list (regardless of whether they have changed priority band during that time)

Average time applicants have been registered by Band:

Band 1	1 month
Band 2	1 year 8 months
Band 3	2 years
Band 4	3 years 1 month

4. The predicted/likely waiting time to secure social housing for anyone newly joining each priority band

Average waiting time in the Winchester City Council area:

Band 2

1 bed – 11 months

2 bed flat – 8 months



2 bed house – 1 year 1 month

3 bed – 1 year

4+ bed - 2 years 6 months

55+ properties – 1 year

Band 3

1 bed – 3 years

2 bed flat – 1 year 2 months

2 bed house - 2 years 11 months

3 bed - 2 years 4 months

4+ bed - 5 years

55+ properties – 1 year 3 months

The following question only applies to councils with responsibilities for carrying out housing repairs:

5. Please list all housing repair jobs concerning broken communal lifts since January 2023 – in each case, please state the location (individual tower block/housing development), whether the council classes the block/development in question as being accessible for disabled people, what the problem was, and how long it took for it to be fixed. Successive broken lifts at the same location should be listed separately.

We cannot share completion dates as we don't always accurately get these

Since January 2023 we have reported 202 lift repairs across our blocks of accommodation served by a lift. In the attached spreadsheet, we have listed all reports of repairs to lifts at schemes rather than just breakdowns only.

Of the schemes with reported lift repairs for the period in question:

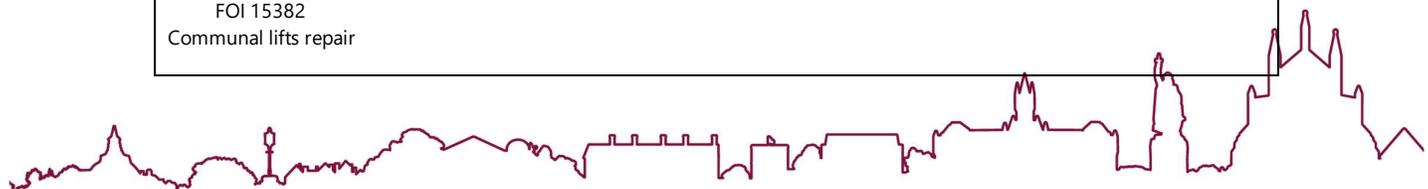
Those schemes **classified as accessible for disabled** people are as follows- Godson House, Chesil Lodge, Danemark Court, Dennett House, Braxton House, Craddock House, Earle House, Victoria Court, Forder Court, Makins Court, Matilda Place, Richard Moss House,

And those which are **not classified as suitable for disabled people** are as follows- Mildmay Court, Belvoir House, Albert Court, Whitewings



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Communal lifts repair



Location of communal lifts location	All flats	Accessible (Yes/No)
DANEMARK COURT, GORDON ROAD, WINCHESTER, SO23 7TB		
WHITE WINGS HOUSE, ASHLING PARK ROAD, DENMEAD, WATERLOOVILLE, PO7 6DL		
ALBERT COURT, ANDOVER ROAD, WINCHESTER, SO23 7BY		
MILDMAY COURT, EASTGATE STREET, WINCHESTER, SO23 8RJ		
MATILDA PLACE, GORDON ROAD, WINCHESTER, SO23 7TD		
GODSON HOUSE, LAWN STREET, WINCHESTER, SO23 8ED		
RICHARD MOSS HOUSE, ST PETER STREET, WINCHESTER, SO23 8BX		
FORDER COURT, ST CROSS ROAD, WINCHESTER, SO23 9HP		
BRAXTON HOUSE, WINNALL MANOR ROAD, WINNALL, WINCHESTER, SO23 0LX		
CRADDOCK HOUSE, WINNALL MANOR ROAD, WINNALL, WINCHESTER, SO23 0LY		
DENNETT HOUSE, WINNALL MANOR ROAD, WINNALL, WINCHESTER, SO23 0LZ		
EARLE HOUSE, WINNALL MANOR ROAD, WINNALL, WINCHESTER, SO23 0NA		
MAKINS COURT 1 - 17, WINDSOR ROAD, ALRESFORD, SO24 9HX		
MAKINS COURT MISC, WINDSOR ROAD, ALRESFORD, SO24 9HX		
FLATS 1-6 GODSON HOUSE, GODSON HOUSE, LAWN STREET, WINCHESTER, SO23 8ED		

BLOCK 1-3 and 7-9 MILDMAY COURT, EASTGATE STREET, WINCHESTER, SO23 8RJ		
FLATS 1-53 CHESIL LODGE, CHESIL STREET, WINCHESTER, SO23 0AH		
FLATS 1-19 VICTORIA COURT, VICTORIA ROAD, WINCHESTER, SO23 7GX		
FLATS 1 - 8 BELVOIR HOUSE, THE VALLEY, STANMORE, WINCHESTER, SO22 4FS		

