

## Written answers (Question to Housing)

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### Minister of State at the Department of Housing, Planning and Local Government

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In accordance with the Housing (Traveller Accommodation) Act 1998, housing authorities have statutory responsibility for the assessment of the accommodation needs of Travellers and the preparation, adoption and implementation of multi-annual Traveller Accommodation Programmes (TAPs) in their areas. My Department's role is to ensure that there are adequate structures and supports in place to assist the authorities in providing such accommodation, including a national framework of policy, legislation and funding.

Housing authorities submit funding proposals for individual Traveller-specific projects and developments on an annual basis. These projects are assessed on a case-by-case basis in my Department in advance of allocations being made. In addition, further funding may be considered by my Department throughout the year in the light of progress across the programme generally. There is regular contact between my Department and housing authorities in order to try to ensure maximum progress and drawdown. If it becomes clear that allocations or part thereof may be unspent, then those allocations will be diverted to alternative projects and developments.

The amount of funding allocated and drawn down by housing authorities for Traveller-specific accommodation for 2018 is set out in the following table.

| County Council | Allocation 2018 | Drawdown 2018 |
|----------------|-----------------|---------------|
| Carlow         | €167,740.00     | € -           |
| Cavan          | €30,000.00      | € -           |
| Clare          | €853,250.00     | €13,250       |
| Cork City      | €310,000.00     | €180,250      |
| Cork County    | €251,197.00     | € -           |
| Donegal        | €121,800.00     | €52,700       |
| Dublin City    | €1,321,558.39   | €744,400      |
| South Dublin   | €869,642.50     | €1,284,100    |
| Fingal         | €851,189.00     | €886,957      |

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|------------------------|---------------|------------|
| Dun Laoghaire/Rathdown | €673,685.78   | €1,099,940 |
| Galway City            | €176,996.00   | € -        |
| Galway County          | €1,080,100.00 | €267,031   |
| Kerry                  | €15,350.00    | €62,538    |
| Kildare                | €80,000.00    | €29,510    |
| Kilkenny               | €201,682.00   | €60,067    |
| Laois                  | €30,000.00    | € -        |
| Leitrim                | €159,614.00   | €54,306    |
| Limerick               | €858,739.00   | €470,997   |
| Longford               | €2,922.00     | € -        |
| Louth                  | €17,039.00    | €3,810     |
| Mayo                   | €30,000.00    | € -        |
| Meath                  | €65,000.00    | € -        |
| Monaghan               | €400,000.00   | €54,745    |
| Offaly                 | €49,379.00    | €10,999    |

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| Roscommon | €230,000.00   | €102,273   |
| Sligo     | €1,046,095.00 | €282,882   |
| Tipperary | €25,655.00    | €42,002    |
| Waterford | €317,280.00   | €472,725   |
| Westmeath | €150,000.00   | € -        |
| Wexford   | €498,801.00   | € -        |
| Wicklow   | €209,620.00   | €88,783    |
| Reserve   | €905,665.33   |            |
| TOTAL     | €12,000,000   | €6,264,345 |