



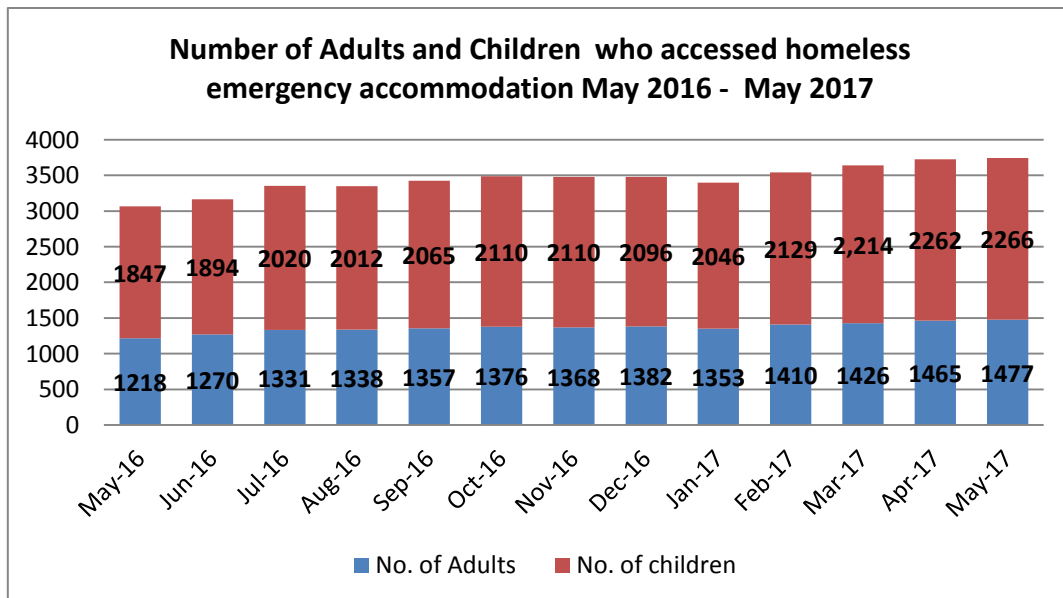
Homelessness Update

Emergency Accommodation Usage between 19th – 25th June 2017 in the Dublin Region

Over the week June 19th to June 25th 2017, a total of 3,406 adults accessed emergency accommodation in the Region. Of these 1,471 were in Private Emergency Accommodation (Including hotels), 1,959 were in Supported Temporary Accommodation (STA), and 78 Temporary Emergency Accommodation (TEA). (please note a total of 102 individuals accessed multiple accommodation types during this week).

Families Experiencing Homelessness

The trend in homeless adults and children accessing emergency homeless accommodation in the Dublin region over the period May 2016 to May 2017 is shown in the table below:



Under **Rebuilding Ireland** the use of commercial hotels/b&bs by homeless families was to be phased out by mid 2017, except for emergency cases. At the end of October 2016 there were 813 family households in emergency accommodation in commercial hotels/b&bs.

Between then and the end of June 2017, 842 households in commercial hotels/b&bs were moved to more appropriate accommodation. It is expected that a further 533 families will be moved over the period July to September 2017.

Over the period October 2016 to May 2017 an average of 80 families per month were placed in commercial hotel/b&b accommodation. By the end of May 2017 the number of homeless families in commercial hotels/b&bs was 647. It is expected that there will be a further significant reduction in the number of homeless families in commercial hotels/b&bs by the end of September 2017.

Prevention Team

The prevention team continue to engage with families presenting as homeless to explore opportunities to prevent an episode of homelessness from taking place. In June the team engaged with a total of 32 new families. Of these 18 families were prevented from entering homelessness, 13 families entered homelessness, and 1 family were able to secure alternative accommodation through their own efforts.

Housing Allocations to Homeless Families

The numbers below are correct at the 18th of July 2017

- 114 Housed in Casual Vacancies
- 99 Voluntary Housing
- 3 Long Term Leasing
- 6 Housing Agency Acquisitions

Total Housed = 222

Additional Vacancies with Homeless Allocations: (awaiting keys, Estate Management Clearance or Selection)

- 19 DCC Vacancies with Homeless Section
- 37 Approved Housing Body
- 5 – Leasing units
- 4 – PMVT Clare Lane
- 12 - Housing Agency Acquisitions

Total = 77

Homeless Housing Assistance Payment

Work is progressing on securing Homeless Housing Assistance Payment tenancies in the Dublin Region. A total of 750 Homeless HAP tenancies have been created in 2017 up to July 14th. The 2017 target for homeless HAP tenancies is 1,200.

Accommodation for Families Experiencing Homelessness

Work is ongoing on the development of family hub facilities to provide more suitable accommodation for families experiencing homelessness who are currently accommodated in commercial hotels.

The family hub facility on Clonliffe Rd., Dublin, 3, opened in early July and is operated by Crosscare. Several visits were organised for elected representatives during the final stages of the development phase and very positive feedback was received.

In addition to these new facilities negotiations are ongoing with the owners of several commercial premises who have provided emergency accommodation for families experiencing homelessness. Leases have been secured, or are being negotiated for these premises for a duration of 5 years. Improvement works are currently being carried out, and these facilities will provide supported temporary accommodation for families to include:

- Provision for key working staff and space for medical etc consultations.
- Provision for internal space for play (and where possible external space) homework and leisure.
- Provision for some cooking facilities, dining area and laundry.
- Provision for Wifi and computers.

The family hub facilities and service providers are listed below, along with the expected completion dates.



Location	No of Family Rooms	Operator	Expected Completion Date
St Lawrence's Road, Dublin 3.	13	Respond	August
Clonard Road, Crumlin, Dublin 12.	24	Salvation Army	September
Mater Dei, Clonliffe Road, D 3.	50	Crosscare	Operational
High Park, Drumcondra, Dublin 3.	42	Respond	Operational
Lynam's Hotel, O'Connell Street, Dublin 1.	45	Lease agreement with private operator	September
Sons of the Divine Providence, Ballyfermot, Dublin 10.	13	Sons of the Divine Providence	October
Green Castle Parade, Coolock, Dublin 5.	28	Salvation Army	September
Malahide Road, Co. Dublin. (Fingal County Council)	7	Peter McVerry Trust	September
Millmount, Dundrum. (DLR County Council)	12	Lease agreement with private operator	Operational
Brookfield Court, Rialto, Dublin 8.	4 Family units	PMVT	August
Lwr Kimmage Road, Dublin 12.	8 Family Units	Operator to be confirmed	Acquisition, negotiations ongoing.
My Place, Gardiner Street, Dublin 1.	40	PEA	Q3
Abberley, Tallaght.	40	PEA	September
Bram Stoker, Clontarf, Dublin 3.	25	PEA	Operational
O'Sheas, Dublin 8.	22	PEA	Q3
Sunnybank, Dublin 7.	26	PEA	September
Townhouse, Dublin 1.	87	PEA	August
Viking Lodge, Dublin 8.	26	PEA	Operational
Kylemore, Swords, Co. Dublin.	6	PMVT	Operational