

**WRITTEN QUESTION TO THE MINISTER FOR THE ENVIRONMENT
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ANSWER TO BE TABLED ON MONDAY 22nd MAY 2023**

Question

“Will the Minister confirm both the number of planning applications that have been rejected in the last five years together with the number of housing units that each would have provided had they not been rejected and the number of planning applications that have been approved together with the number of housing units that they have provided?”

Answer

Of the 7,028 major and minor planning applications between 1st January 2018 and 31st December 2022, a total of 762 were refused planning permission. Of the 7,028 planning applications referred to above, 5,841 received planning permission.

It is not possible to extract true and accurate data from the current systems for the number of housing units that would or would not have been provided.

The Place and Spatial Planning Team was able to confirm that during the life of the Bridging Island Plan 25th March 2022 to 15th May 2023, permissions were granted for 349 new dwellings. During the same period, a total of 788 proposed new dwellings were refused planning permission.

A recommendation from the [Review of Planning Services \(2023\)](#) identified the need for “an integrated set of data to monitor the performance of the planning service”. Project RIDA is an investment in new technology to support a stable, effective and efficient platform for improvements to the planning service. This new system will be designed to report on service performance statistics as well as key information about housing units and land use. In response to this recommendation, I have committed to "publish a list of Key Performance Indicators that will be monitored by the end of Q3, although monitoring these KPI's will only become fully possible with the deployment of RIDA in Q1 2024".