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Dear Stephen and Diana,

I would like to thank you for your letter dated 23 November in which you asked several questions relating to no recourse to public funds (NRPF) data. As I stated in response to the oral question on NRPF data on 14 November, the Home Office already publishes an extensive range of data in respect of NRPF change of conditions applications, including data on age, gender and nationality and we are committed to exploring other avenues for obtaining further NRPF-related data.

I have set out responses to each of your questions below

**When will the new integrated casework system be fully operational?**

The new caseworking system Atlas has been used operationally since 2019 and its development has been in train since that date. The old system CID will be decommissioned in 2023.

**Why has it suffered from delays?**

The new system has suffered from delays due to: an increase in scope to include the migration of existing Data Services and Management Information; Covid which affected rollout and necessitated the remote capture of biometric information; and the need to prioritise technical development resources to the response to other urgent events such as EU Exit, the Afghanistan evacuation and response to the war in Ukraine. Despite these

delays considerable new functionality has been rolled out and the programme is on track to deliver all required utility in 2023.

**When the system is operational, will it be able to report how many people have been given leave to remain with no recourse to public funds attached, within a given timeframe?**

Whilst the majority of in-country immigration casework is now carried out through Atlas, remaining areas will complete their transition to Atlas in 2023, after which time it will be possible to explore what further information can be produced using the new system. Data will be held in the system on the conditions attached to grants of leave, including NRPF conditions.

**Will the Home Office commit to publish information from the new casework system, once it has recorded a “meaningful quantity of cases”?**

As stated above, until the transition of all cases onto Atlas has taken place, we are unable to make any commitment with regards to what further data we are able to publish, although we would expect as a minimum to continue to regularly release data on ‘change of conditions’ applications once processing of these has moved to Atlas next year.

**Does the Home Office have a plan for further developing statistics on NRPF, and if so, can this be shared with our Committees?**

The ‘change of conditions’ data which was first published in July 2020 is now one of the most extensive data sets we publish within our transparency data publications. We are committed to exploring avenues which enable us to further develop our evidence base on no recourse to public funds. This includes working with external partners, collaborating with the Office for National Statistics to analyse the 2021 Census data as well as working to understand the capabilities of our new casework system.

Thank you for taking the time to write to me on this issue and for Sir Stephan’s question in the House, I trust this is a helpful response.

A handwritten signature in dark ink, reading "Robert Jenrick". The signature is written in a cursive style with a horizontal line underneath the name.

**Rt Hon Robert Jenrick MP  
Minister of State for Immigration**



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Rt Hon Robert Jenrick MP  
Minister for Immigration  
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From the Chairs

23 November 2022

Dear Robert

We are writing on behalf of our Committees with regards to the availability and publication of statistics on people with Leave to Remain with No Recourse to Public Funds (NRPF).

In January 2022, as part of the Work and Pensions Committee's inquiry into Children in poverty: No Recourse to Public Funds, we discussed with predecessor Ministers the new casework system that would improve the availability of data on the number of people in the UK, at any one time, with leave to remain with NRPF. [Home Office officials also wrote to the Director General for Regulation](#) at the Office for Statistics Regulation that the "new integrated casework system" was expected to be operational at some point in 2022, after it failed to be completed in 2021 [as previously set out](#).

Previous Home Office, DWP and DfE Ministers [wrote to the Work and Pensions Committee](#) on the casework system in March 2022 and told us

The Home Office is replacing its CID system (Case Information Database) with the new Atlas system. Transition of all in-country applications to remain in the UK is almost complete. We expect to move the remaining case types, which represent a smaller caseload volume, across to Atlas by August 2022.

Subsequent reporting of data that has been produced under the new system will take longer, as sufficient time is needed for a meaningful quantity of cases to be progressed on the new system and for the supporting data infrastructure to be established.

We would be grateful if you could answer the following questions.

**1) When will the new integrated casework system be fully operational?**

**a) Why has it suffered from delays?**

**2) When the system is operational, will it be able to report how many people have been given leave to remain with no recourse to public funds attached, within a given timeframe?**

**3) Will the Home Office commit to publish information from the new casework system, once it has recorded a “meaningful quantity of cases”?**

**a) Does the Home Office have a plan for further developing statistics on NRPF, and if so, can this be shared with our Committees?**

We would ask for a response by Monday 19 December.

Yours sincerely,



**Rt Hon Sir Stephen Timms MP  
Chair  
Work and Pensions Committee**



**Dame Diana Johnson MP  
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