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LORCAN SIRC ON THE HOME FRONT

The publication of the new programme for government brought few surprises. It covers almost all the key housing components of its most significant components were outlined in the report. The programme, which sets out the State's housing strategy for the next five years, was announced last week. Among the key points of the programme, the Government has said it will:

- Introduce a new housing programme to address the needs of the young and the elderly;
- Ensure that new housing developments are energy efficient;
- Increase the supply of affordable housing;
- Support the development of social housing;
- Improve the planning system;
- Increase the supply of land for housing development.

The programme is expected to be implemented in phases, with the aim of delivering 25,000 new homes per year over the next five years. However, the programme is not without its critics, with some arguing that it is not ambitious enough to meet the housing needs of the country.

Builder Jim Wood, of Wood Group, likes to keep the neighbours happy when he puts up houses in the seaside town of Greystones — he's one of them, writes Linda Daly

W hat Grenenose is on a grand scale, ranging from SeaGreen's attractive Clifftop Development in the first phases, to trendy, picturesque Greystones at the beginning of the week. As a result, new home developers have been trying to create a fantastic outdoors society. It's really caught up houses in these seaside town of Greystones

Wood Group's history with the site began in 1950, when it was used for agricultural purposes. The firm's developments include Clifftown, in Delgany, and the upmarket North Shore in Greystones. Wood Group's CEO, Jim Wood, has been instrumental in transforming the site. He has been praised for his commitment to sustainable development and his efforts to protect the natural environment.

Wood Group has been involved in several significant projects in recent years, including the transformation of the old Clifftown farm into a modern residential development. The firm's developments include Clifftown, in Delgany, and the upmarket North Shore in Greystones. Wood Group's CEO, Jim Wood, has been instrumental in transforming the site. He has been praised for his commitment to sustainable development and his efforts to protect the natural environment.

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late at 2.67 pages per government document, it is one of the longest in recent years. However, it is likely to receive widespread criticism from both sides of the political spectrum. The report has been described as a missed opportunity to tackle the housing crisis and a missed chance to lay the foundations for a sustainable future for Ireland.

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