We Can’t Expect ‘the market’ to Provide a Housing Policy

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MARKET WATCH

As the government continues to publish a ‘wonderful’ housing policy, we are left wondering whether to pay attention to the numbers or to the context.

While the government is quick to point out the number of houses being built, it is important to remember the context in which those numbers are being produced. What does it mean when a government is claiming to deliver 20,000 new homes when less than half of those homes are expected to be completed by the end of the year?

In a recent interview with the Irish Independent, Minister Eoghan Murphy stated that the government is on track to deliver 37,000 new homes by 2022. However, a closer look at the numbers reveals that only 15,000 of those homes are expected to be completed by the end of the year, with the remaining 22,000 homes not expected to be built for several years.

This is concerning, as it suggests that the government is not being truthful about the number of homes being built. It also raises questions about the government’s ability to deliver on its promises, and whether it is prioritizing short-term gains over long-term benefits.

As a society, we need to be more critical of the government and question its claims about housing. We need to demand transparency and accountability, and ensure that the government is delivering on its promises. Otherwise, we risk being let down once again.

The government needs to be held accountable for its promises, and we need to be more knowledgeable about the housing crisis in Ireland. Only then can we work towards a better future for all.

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CONCLUSION

While the government continues to publish housing policies, it is important to remember the context in which those numbers are being produced. We need to be more critical of the government and question its claims about housing. We need to demand transparency and accountability, and ensure that the government is delivering on its promises. Otherwise, we risk being let down once again.

We need to be more knowledgeable about the housing crisis in Ireland. Only then can we work towards a better future for all.