

APPENDIX B - Current Consultations – January 2017

Purpose of Document	Portfolio	Director	Response to be agreed by	Contact	Deadline for response
<p>Consultation on introducing fees for social housing regulation</p> <p>The regulator is proposing to introduce fees for regulating private registered providers of social housing in England from April 2017 in accordance with our statutory powers under the Housing and Regeneration Act 2008. This includes a one-off fixed fee for all successful applications for initial registration and ongoing annual fee to fund the majority of costs of social housing regulation with the remainder funded by government grant.</p> <p>https://www.gov.uk/government/consultations/consultation-on-introducing-fees-for-social-housing-regulation</p>	Strategy and Policy	Assistant Director (Economy)	Officers in consultation with Portfolio Holder	Colin McDonald	9 th January 2017
<p>Social housing regulation: using a Legislative Reform Order to establish the Regulator as a stand-alone body</p> <p>The Tailored Review of the Homes and Communities Agency recommends the separation of the social housing regulator into a new standalone non-departmental public body, to address the potential conflict of interest that arises from the Agency's current configuration.</p> <p>The aim of this consultation is to set out the proposed legislative changes to the Housing and Regeneration Act 2008 to implement the separation of the social housing regulator to reflect the principles of better regulation, especially transparency and accountability. This measure will not change how registered providers are regulated; the regulatory</p>	Strategy and Policy	Assistant Director (Economy)	Officers in consultation with Portfolio Holder	Colin McDonald	27 th January 2017

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<p>framework and regulatory powers will not alter as a result of the Review.</p> <p>Views are invited on all aspects of the consultation paper, with a specific focus on eligibility against criteria for using a Legislative Reform Order.</p> <p>https://www.gov.uk/government/consultations/social-housing-regulation-using-a-legislative-reform-order-to-establish-the-regulator-as-a-stand-alone-body</p>					
<p>Funding for supported housing</p> <p>This consultation seeks views on the government's plans for a new housing costs funding model for supported housing as well as views on how funding for emergency and short term placements should work. It covers the following areas:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • devolved top-up funding to local authorities in England • funding for emergency and short term supported housing placements across Great Britain. <p>https://www.gov.uk/government/consultations/funding-for-supported-housing</p>	Strategy and Policy	Assistant Director (Economy)	Officers in consultation with Portfolio Holder	Colin McDonald	13 th February 2017
<p>Consultation on proposed 'banning order offences' under the Housing and Planning Act 2016</p> <p>The Housing and Planning Act 2016 introduces a power for the first-tier tribunal to serve a banning order on a landlord or property agent. The purpose of this consultation paper is to invite views and comments on which offences should constitute 'banning order offences' as defined by section 14 of</p>	Environmental Health, Health and Safety	Assistant Director (Environment)	Officers in consultation with Portfolio Holder	Alasdair Bell	10 th February 2017

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<p>the Act. Through the Act, we have introduced a package of measures which will enable local authorities to effectively tackle these rogue or criminal landlords and property agents. The package comprises a national database of rogue landlords/property agents convicted of certain offences (or who have received multiple civil penalties as an alternative to prosecution in relation to certain offences). We are also introducing civil penalties of up to £30,000 as an alternative to prosecution and extending Rent Repayment Orders to cover illegal eviction, breach of a banning order or failure to comply with certain statutory notices.</p> <p>https://www.gov.uk/government/consultations/consultation-on-proposed-banning-order-offences-under-the-housing-and-planning-act-2016</p>					