

Our regulation of social housing in Scotland

Consultation questions

We welcome your general feedback on our proposals as well as answers to the specific questions we have raised. You can read our consultation paper on our website at www.housingregulator.gov.scot
Please do not feel you have to answer every question unless you wish to do so.

Send your completed questionnaire to us by **15 December 2023**.

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Yes No

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1. Do you agree with our proposed approach on specific assurance in Annual Assurance Statements?

In general yes but slightly concerned that there could be reporting duplication

2. Do you agree with our proposal to initiate a comprehensive review of the Annual Return on the Charter which we will consult on next year?

Yes

3. Do you agree with our proposed amendments to strengthen the emphasis on landlords listening to tenants and service users to include a requirement that landlords:
- provide tenants, residents and service users with appropriate ways to provide feedback and raise concerns, and
 - ensure that they consider such information and provide quick and effective responses?

a) Yes but there also needs to be an acceptance that you can provide all the opportunities possible for tenants but they may not want to engage at all. Also need to ensure this doesn't overlap with the complaints process or duplicate the work being done under complaints.
b) If the timescales are quicker than our current response times then with budgets under pressure this should be caveated with "within the resources available"

4. Do you agree with our proposed approach to Notifiable Events?

Yes

5. Do you agree with our proposed approach to regulatory status?

Yes

6. Do you agree with our proposed approach to Significant Performance failures?

Yes

7. Do you agree with our proposed changes to the guidance on *Annual Assurance Statements*?

Yes

8. Do you agree with our proposed changes to the guidance on *Consultation where the Regulator is directing a transfer of assets*?

Yes

9. Do you agree with our proposal to maintain *the Determination* at this time?

Yes

10. Do you agree with our proposed changes to the guidance on *Determination of what is meant by a step to enforce a security over an RSL's land*?

Yes

11. Do you agree with our proposal to maintain the guidance on *Financial viability of RSLs*?

12. Do you agree with our proposed changes to the guidance on *Group structures*?

13. Do you agree with our proposed changes to the guidance on *How to request an appeal of a regulatory decision*?

14. Do you agree with our proposal to maintain the guidance on *How to request a review of a regulatory decision*?

15. Do you agree with our proposed changes to the guidance on *Notifiable events*?

16. Do you agree with our proposed changes to the guidance on *Preparation of financial statements*?

17. Do you agree with our proposal to maintain the guidance on *Section 72 reporting events of material significance*?

18. Do you agree with our proposed changes to the guidance on *Tenant consultation and approval*?

19. Would you like to give feedback on any aspect of our impact assessments? Are there other potential impacts that we should consider?

Thank you for taking the time to give us your feedback!