

Scotland Policy Conferences keynote seminar

Housing policy in Scotland - the new regulatory framework, protecting vulnerable groups, and the Government's long-term strategy

Timing: Morning, Thursday, 8th October 2020

Taking Place Online



SCOTLAND POLICY
CONFERENCES

Draft agenda subject to change

- 8.30 Registration
- 9.00 **Chair's opening remarks**
David Stewart MSP, Shadow Cabinet Secretary for Eradication of Poverty and Social Inequality
- 9.05 **The Scottish Government's strategy for housing across Scotland**
Aileen Campbell MSP, Cabinet Secretary for Communities and Local Government
Questions and comments from the floor
- 9.30 **Opportunities to develop a dynamic, resilient and inclusive housing system in Scotland**
Laura McGradie, Head of Advice, Energy Saving Trust
Olivia Lindsay, Head of Casework Services, Housing Options Scotland
Piers Williamson, Chief Executive, The Housing Finance Corporation
Professor David Clapham, Professor of Housing and Urban Studies, Department of Urban Studies, University of Glasgow and Co-Investigator, UK Collaborative Centre for Housing Evidence (CaCHE)
Councillor Lesley Backhouse, Depute Convener, Community & Housing Services Committee, Fife Council
Questions and comments from the floor
- 10.20 Break
- 10.25 **Meeting Scotland's housing needs: homelessness, supporting an ageing population and tackling poverty**
Jackie Fernie, Homelessness and Housing Support Manager, South Lanarkshire Council
Gordon Macrae, Assistant Director, Communications and Advocacy, Shelter Scotland
Gordon Nelson, Scotland Director, Federation of Master Builders
Senior representative, social housing
Questions and comments from the floor
- 11.15 **Chair's closing remarks**
David Stewart MSP, Shadow Cabinet Secretary for Eradication of Poverty and Social Inequality
- 11.20 Break
- 11.30 **Chair's opening remarks**
David Linden MP, SNP Spokesperson, Housing, Communities and Local Government
- 11.35 **Social housing and the private rental sector: balancing the interests of tenants and landlords, improving existing housing stock and controlling rent increases in the private sector**
Karen Turner, Director of Lettings, Rettie & Co
John Blackwood, Chief Executive, Scottish Association of Landlords
Susan McDonald, Partner, Social Housing, Addleshaw Goddard
Jim Strang, Chief Executive, Parkhead Housing Association
Nina Ballantyne, Social Justice Policy Manager, Citizens Advice Scotland
Questions and comments from the floor
- 12.25 Break
- 12.30 **The new regulatory framework from the Scottish Housing Regulator: implications for tenants and Registered Social Landlords**
Ian Brennan, Director of Regulation, Scottish Housing Regulator
Questions and comments from the floor
- 12.55 **Chair's and Scotland Policy Conferences closing remarks**
David Linden MP, SNP Spokesperson, Housing, Communities and Local Government
Sean Cudmore, Deputy Editor, Scotland Policy Conferences