

**Westminster Social Policy Forum keynote seminar:
Next steps for housing supply and development in England**

Timing: Morning, Thursday, 25th July 2024

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- 8.30 Registration
- 9.00 **Chair's opening remarks**
Lord Lansley
- 9.05 **Key issues for housing supply in England and latest policy developments**
Rachael Williamson, Head of Policy and External Affairs, Chartered Institute of Housing
Questions and comments from the floor
- 9.35 **Long-Term Plan for Housing**
priorities for grey belts and repurposing brownfield land | assessing proposals to enhance planning and delivery in the National Planning Framework | boosting public services and infrastructure | Levelling up and Regeneration | improving access to greenfield spaces | protecting the environment | decarbonising the housing sector
Roland Bolton, Senior Director, DLP Planning
Senior representative, housing
Senior representative, local authority
Senior representative, developer
Senior representative, environment
Questions and comments from the floor
- 10.35 **Chair's closing remarks**
Lord Lansley
- 10.40 Break
- 10.50 **Chair's opening remarks**
Senior Parliamentarian
- 10.55 **'Assessing the impact of markets and housing needs - regional and geographic variations in the construction of new homes'**
Jonathan Webb, Principal Research Fellow, Sheffield Hallam University
Questions and comments from the floor
- 11.15 **Priorities and key issues for the funding and sustainability of the social housing sector in England**
financial barriers for housing associations | access to funding and building safety | regulating providers | risk and financial barriers
Senior representative, housing association
- 11.25 **Initiatives and strategies in addressing key challenges to housing supply**
improving routes to home-ownership | responding to economic challenges to the market | assessing the impact of right buy schemes and affordable housing programmes | the future regulation of estate agents | access to information | payment of referral fees | transparency around conveyancing services | issues with completing transactions | impact of economic uncertainty and addressing concerns such as inflation and interest rates
Joanne Drew, Strategic Director, Housing and Regeneration, Enfield Council
James Browne, Senior Policy Advisor, Economic Policy, Tony Blair Institute for Global Change
Senior representative, estate agent
Senior representative, banking
Senior representative, regulator
- 11.45 Questions and comments from the floor
- 12.25 **Policy priorities for housing supply and development moving forward**
Joanna Key, Director General, Regeneration, Housing and Planning, Department for Levelling up, Housing and Communities
Questions and comments from the floor
- 12.55 **Chair's and Westminster Social Policy Forum closing remarks**
Senior Parliamentarian
Sean Cudmore, Westminster Social Policy Forum