

13 October 2022

Dear colleagues,

Homelessness

We wrote to you in January of this year to invite your views on the homelessness situation at the time and suggestions of specific issues on which we could focus our forthcoming work on homelessness and rough sleeping.

Since then, the Committee has undertaken visits relating to this work and has agreed to begin further work this autumn term. The Committee agreed the terms of reference for its work on 12 October, outlined below.

Invitation to contribute to the consultation

We are aware that the situation has changed since we last wrote to you in the spring, and wish to invite you to share your views on the terms of reference, as well as on the current situation.

The Committee has agreed to examine:

- The supply, suitability and quality of temporary accommodation currently being used to house people experiencing homelessness and the support services made available to them;
- The impact living in temporary accommodation has on individuals and families;
- The impact of the ongoing demand for temporary accommodation and support services on local authorities, their partners and communities;



- Options to increase the supply of affordable and appropriate housing in the short to medium term to reduce the use of temporary accommodation;
- Progress implementing Ending Homelessness in Wales: A high level action plan 2021-2026, and in particular the move towards a rapid rehousing approach.

Submitting evidence

If you wish to respond to the Committee's consultation, please email an electronic copy of your submission to SeneddHousing@senedd.wales or send by post to Local Government and Housing Committee, Welsh Parliament, Cardiff, CF99 1SN.

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We will usually publish correspondence or written evidence on our website. If you have responded in a personal capacity, your name will be published along with your contribution, unless you have asked for your contribution to be anonymised. If you have responded in a professional capacity, the published version of your response will include your name, your job title/role, if relevant, and the name of your organisation.

Submissions should arrive by **Friday 11 November 2022**. It may not be possible to take into account responses received after this date.

If you have any queries, please contact Manon George, Clerk on 0300 200 6219.

Yours sincerely



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Chair

Croesewir gohebiaeth yn Gymraeg neu Saesneg.

We welcome correspondence in Welsh or English.

