

CONSULTATION ON CHANGES TO THE REGULATORY FRAMEWORK

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Summary: This section provides a summary of the consultation questions

Consultation questions:

A6.1 Governance and Financial Viability Standard:

- a) Overall does the proposed Standard meet the Regulator's economic objectives which require the protection of social housing assets?
- b) Does the proposed Standard express the requirements of registered providers in a way that is clear, succinct and as outcome focused as possible?
- c) Do the requirements in paragraph 1.2 on skills, capability and independence i) meet the Regulator's aim of protecting social housing assets and ii) balance the aim of protecting social housing assets with registered providers being free to run their own businesses?
- d) Do the requirements in paragraph 1.4 and 1.5 on risk i) meet the Regulator's aim of protecting social housing assets ii) balance the aim of protecting social housing assets with registered providers being free to run their own businesses?
- e) Are the requirements for specific types of registered provider in Section 2 reasonable given the Regulator's aim of protecting social housing assets?

A6.2 Code of Practice

- a) Does the proposed Code assist registered providers to understand how compliance with the standard can be achieved?
- b) Is the role of a Code clear and is it reasonable?

A6.3 Do the proposed revisions to the disposals regime:

- a) Meet the aim of protecting social housing assets and the value in it?
- b) Balance this aim with registered providers being free to run their own businesses?
- c) Are they reasonable?

A6.4 Do the changes to the registration criteria:

- a) Reflect the proposed changes to the governance and viability standard?
- b) Are they reasonable?

A6.5 Do the proposed changes to the Rent Standard:

- a) Reflect the Direction from DCLG?
- b) Express the requirements of registered providers in a way that is clear, succinct and as outcome focused as possible?
- A6.6 Do you agree that the proposed changes to the General Consent allow the Regulator to protect social housing assets more effectively?

- A6.7 Do the other proposed changes to the registration criteria:
 - a) Contribute to the Regulator better meeting its fundamental objectives?
 - b) Express the requirements of registered providers in a way that is clear and succinct?

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