

**Westminster Legal Policy Forum Keynote Seminar:
The future for regulation of the private rented housing sector**

Timing: Morning, Wednesday, 31st October 2018

Venue: Central London



**WESTMINSTER
LEGAL POLICY
FORUM**

Draft agenda subject to change

- 8.30 - 9.00 Registration and coffee
- 9.00 - 9.05 **Chair's opening remarks**
Senior Parliamentarian
- 9.05 - 9.15 **The current state of the private rented housing sector**
Senior speaker to be announced
- 9.15 - 10.05 **Reforming rental agreements - tenancy length, transparency and costs**
Hannah Slater, Policy and Public Affairs Manager, Generation Rent
Richard Lambert, Chief Executive Officer, National Landlords Association
Dr Julie Rugg, Senior Research Fellow, Centre for Housing Policy, University of York
Questions and comments from the floor with senior speaker to be announced
- 10.05 - 10.25 **Policy priorities for private rented housing**
Anne Frost, Deputy Director, Private Rented Sector Division, Ministry of Housing, Communities and Local Government
Questions and comments from the floor
- 10.25 - 10.30 **Chair's closing remarks**
Senior Parliamentarian
- 10.30 - 10.55 Coffee
- 10.55 - 11.00 **Chair's opening remarks**
Karen Buck MP, Vice Chair, All-Party Parliamentary Group for the Private Rented Sector and Sponsor, Homes (Fitness for Human Habitation and Liability for Housing Standards) Bill 2017-19
- 11.00 - 11.40 **Property standards in the private rented sector - implementing 'fit for habitation' laws and enforcement**
David Smith, Policy Director, Residential Landlords Association
Senior speaker confirmed from **Greater London Authority**
Senior speaker confirmed from **Shelter**
Questions and comments from the floor
- 11.40 - 11.55 **The future for complaints resolution in the private housing market**
Emma Foxall, Director of Dispute Resolution, Housing Ombudsman Service
- 11.55 - 12.55 **Consumer redress in the private rented housing sector - introducing housing courts and reforms to the Ombudsman**
Fiona Bourke, Partner, Carter Jonas
Senior speaker confirmed from **Which?**
Senior representative, law firm
Questions and comments from the floor with **Emma Foxall**, Director of Dispute Resolution, Housing Ombudsman Service
- 12.55 - 13.00 **Chair's and Westminster Legal Policy Forum closing remarks**
Karen Buck MP, Vice Chair, All-Party Parliamentary Group for the Private Rented Sector and Sponsor, Homes (Fitness for Human Habitation and Liability for Housing Standards) Bill 2017-19
Sean Cudmore, Deputy Editor, Westminster Legal Policy Forum