

Westminster Legal Policy Forum keynote seminar

Next steps for property law reform in England and Wales - leasehold and commonhold, consumer rights, and market impact

Timing: Morning, Thursday, 27th May 2021

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Agenda subject to change

- 8.30 Registration
- 9.00 **Chair's opening remarks**
Sir Peter Bottomley MP, Co-Chair, All-Party Parliamentary Group on Leasehold and Commonhold Reform
- 9.05 **Residential leasehold and commonhold - key findings from the Law Commission and progress in carrying the recommendations forward**
Professor Nicholas Hopkins, Commissioner, Property, Family and Trust Law, Law Commission
Questions and comments from the floor
- 9.35 Break
- 9.40 **Next steps following proposed government reforms to leasehold - enfranchisement and protecting the rights of leaseholders**
Katie Cohen, Partner, Keystone Law
Michael Voges, Executive Director, Associated Retirement Community Operators
Piers Harrison, Barrister, Tanfield Chambers
Nathan Emerson, Interim CEO, Propertymark
Chris Macartney, Partner, Landlord & Tenant Team, Bishop & Sewell
Questions and comments from the floor
- 10.40 **'Providing dispute resolution in the residential leasehold sector'**
Judge Siobhan McGrath, President, First Tier Tribunal (Property Chamber), Courts and Tribunals Judiciary
Questions and comments from the floor
- 11.05 **Chair's closing remarks**
Sir Peter Bottomley MP, Co-Chair, All-Party Parliamentary Group on Leasehold and Commonhold Reform
- 11.10 Break
- 11.20 **Chair's opening remarks**
Lord Berkeley, Officer, All-Party Parliamentary Group for Infrastructure
- 11.25 **The future of commonhold - consumer choice and understanding, simplifying converting to commonhold, and developing a culture change in England and Wales to encourage widespread take up**
Sebastian O'Kelly, Chief Executive Officer, Leasehold Knowledge Partnership
Charles Roe, Director, Mortgages, UK Finance
Bob Smytherman, Chairman, Federation of Private Residents Association
Jonathan Achampong, Partner, Residential Property, Wedlake Bell
David Tunney, Chair, Residents Association, Shenley Wood Retirement Village
Questions and comments from the floor
- 12.20 Break
- 12.25 **Property law in England and Wales - key priorities for policy**
Lord Greenhalgh, Minister of State (Minister for Building Safety and Communities), Ministry of Housing, Communities and Local Government
Questions and comments from the floor
- 12.55 **Chair's and Westminster Legal Policy Forum closing remarks**
Lord Berkeley, Officer, All-Party Parliamentary Group for Infrastructure
Sean Cudmore, Deputy Editor, Westminster Legal Policy Forum