Westminster Legal Policy Forum keynote seminar: Next steps for leasehold reform

Timing: Morning, Wednesday, 24th April 2024

Taking place online

Agenda subject to change

8.30 Registration



9.00 Chair's opening remarks

Barry Gardiner MP

9.10 The current leasehold landscape in England and Wales

Professor Martin Dixon, Professor of the Law of Real Property, University of Cambridge Questions and comments from the floor

9.40 The new Leasehold and Freehold Reform Bill

impact on new and existing leaseholders | priorities for affordability | building safety | property market | ground rent | implications of insurance

Mark Chick, Senior Partner, Bishop & Sewell; and Director of ALEP (the Association of Leasehold Enfranchisement Practitioners)

Dr Mark Andrew, Senior Lecturer in Real Estate Finance and Investment, City, University of London

Emily Norman, Senior Associate, Residential Valuation, Allsop

Branko Bjelobaba, Principal and FCA Compliance Advisor, Branko

Melissa York, Assistant Property Editor, The Sunday Times

Questions and comments from the floor

10.40 **Property disputes and redress**

Judge Siobhan McGrath, President, First Tier Tribunal (Property Chamber), Courts and Tribunals Judiciary Questions and comments from the floor

11.10 Chair's closing remarks

Barry Gardiner MP

11.15 Break

11.25 Chair's opening remarks

Lord Best, Member, House of Lords Industry and Regulators Committee

11.40 Key issues going forward for leasehold and the property market

alternative approaches to policy | the future of property development and property management | the place of commonhold in reform

lan Fletcher, Director of Policy, British Property Federation

Helen Streeton, Partner, Head of Build to Rent, Forsters

Harry Scoffin, Founder, Free Leaseholders

Shula Rich, Founder, leaseadvice.org; Vice Chair, Federation of Private Residents' Associations; and Chair, Brighton, Hove and

District Leaseholders Association

Questions and comments from the floor

12.30 <u>'Leasehold reform: the Law Commission's perspective'</u>

Professor Nicholas Hopkins, Commissioner, Law Commission of England and Wales

Questions and comments from the floor

12.55 Chair's and Westminster Legal Policy Forum closing remarks

Lord Best, Member, House of Lords Industry and Regulators Committee

Amy Wassif, Westminster Legal Policy Forum