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Local Supported Housing Strategies - Supported Housing (Regulatory Oversight) Act

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Supported Housing (Regulatory Oversight) Act

The Supported Housing Act includes:

- National Supported Housing Standards
- Local licensing to enable enforcement of the national standards and licensing conditions
- Linking Housing Benefit for supported housing to licensing
- Advisory Panel of experts to provide information and advice to government about supported housing
- Local Supported Housing Strategies to assess supply and demand for supported housing

Earlier this year, nearly 600 people and organisations gave feedback in a public consultation about the Supported Housing Act.

Next steps:

- Government will publish a response to the consultation
- Government will publish a consultation on the detailed regulations
- The Advisory Panel will be announced



Local Supported Housing Strategies overview

Requirement for local authorities to assess supply and demand for supported housing and publish a supported housing strategy.

Plan is to also request local authorities to submit annual management information to MHCLG

Guidance to provide a national framework with four main components:

1. Strategic priorities
2. Partnerships
3. Needs assessment
4. Delivery plan

Planned milestones:

- January 2026: Government publishes statutory guidance for local authorities
- February 2026: New Burdens funding paid to local authorities
- March 2027: Local authorities publish their first strategy
- Spring 2027: first annual management information reporting to MHCLG

