

Housing (Scotland) Act 2014

PART 2

SOCIAL HOUSING

Allocation of social housing

4 Rules on priority of allocation of housing: consultation

(1) After section 20 of the 1987 Act (persons to have priority on housing list and allocation of housing), insert—

"20A Rules on priority of allocation of housing: consultation

- (1) Before making or altering its rules governing the priority of allocation of houses, a social landlord must—
 - (a) consult the persons mentioned in subsection (2), and
 - (b) prepare and publish a report on the consultation.
- (2) The persons are—
 - (a) applicants on its housing list (within the meaning of section 19),
 - (b) tenants of the landlord,
 - (c) bodies for the time being registered in the register of tenant organisations maintained by the landlord under section 53(3) of the Housing (Scotland) Act 2001 (asp 10), and
 - (d) such other persons as the landlord thinks fit.
- (3) A social landlord may publish a consultation report mentioned in subsection (1)(b) in such manner as it thinks fit (and may in particular publish a joint report with any other social landlord).".
- (2) In section 21 of the 1987 Act, after subsection (3) insert—
 - "(3A) In making or altering its rules governing the priority of allocation of houses, a social landlord must have regard to—

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- (a) any local housing strategy (within the meaning of section 89(1)(b) of the Housing (Scotland) Act 2001) for its area, and
- (b) any guidance published by the Scottish Ministers.
- (3B) Before publishing any guidance mentioned in subsection (3A), the Scottish Ministers must consult such persons as they consider appropriate.
- (3C) The Scottish Ministers may by regulations prescribe persons of a description or type who a social landlord must include in its rules governing the priority of allocation of houses.
- (3D) Regulations under subsection (3C) are subject to the affirmative procedure.".
- (3) The title of section 21 of the 1987 Act becomes "Rules relating to the housing list and to transfer of tenants".

Commencement Information

- II S. 4(1)(3) in force at 1.5.2019 by S.S.I. 2018/153, art. 2, sch. (with art. 9)
- I2 S. 4(2) in force at 20.11.2014 for specified purposes by S.S.I. 2014/264, art. 2, Sch.
- 13 S. 4(2) in force at 1.5.2019 in so far as not already in force by S.S.I. 2018/153, art. 2, sch. (with art. 9)

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Changes and effects yet to be applied to:

- specified provision(s) amendment to earlier commencing S.S.I. 2016/412, art. 3(1) (a) by S.S.I. 2017/330 art. 2
- specified provision(s) amendment to earlier commencing SSI 2015/272 Sch. by
 S.S.I. 2015/349 art. 2(2)