



Housing (Scotland) Act 2014

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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—
- consult the persons mentioned in subsection (2), and
 - prepare and publish a report on the consultation.
- (2) The persons are—
- applicants on its housing list (within the meaning of section 19),
 - tenants of the landlord,
 - 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
 - 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—

Status: This is the original version (as it was originally enacted).

- (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**”.