

Housing Improvement Task Force Second Stage

Sub group A

Owner occupiers resident in houses and flats that require improvement or maintenance

Sixth meeting

Stage Two remit

Purpose

To agree the remit for the second stage. The draft below was considered at the third Task Force meeting and reflects the changes agreed.

Draft remit

To consider options to:

1. Improve the effectiveness of local authority strategic planning and intervention to promote housing quality including the introduction of the Index of Housing Quality
2. Modernise the Tolerable Standard and the range of statutory powers (including grant giving powers) available to local authorities to intervene to address disrepair and housing quality failures
3. Improve the effectiveness of the law of the tenement and the management of common and shared obligations in housing
4. Provide better incentives and reduce barriers and to encourage owners to maintain their homes
5. Improve the advice and support services available to owners in respect of repair and maintenance, including their rights and obligations
6. Address any equalities issues in improving housing quality

Conclusion

The group is invited to consider and agree the remit.