



THE ROYAL BOROUGH OF
KENSINGTON
AND CHELSEA

RBKC Private Rented Sector

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National Drivers

- Housing Crisis
- Health Inequalities - 600,000 children now living in London's private rented sector, many in overcrowded and dangerous conditions
- Changes in legislation
 - Housing and Planning Act
 - Minimum Energy Efficiency Standards (MEES)
 - Extension of Mandatory Definition
 - Rouge landlord database
 - Minimum Room Sizes



Regional Drivers

What the Mayor is doing

- Launched Rogue Landlord and Agent Checker, the first ever public database of landlords and agents who have been prosecuted and fined by councils.
- Launched PRS Partnership with London Boroughs to help improve enforcement across London
- Lobbied the Government to ban letting agent fees to renters
- ‘London Model’ of how the PRS could be reformed in London – giving landlords an easier route to possession where the tenant is at fault, and granting tenants much greater protection from eviction where they have committed no faults.



What RBKC is doing

- 30% of the Borough is PR and growing
- Estimated over 4000 HMO's
- Working with landlords, letting agents
- Working with statutory partners, the Fire Brigade, GLA, third sector
- Consistency in approach (open, fair and transparent)



RBKC Private Sector Housing Team

- Focus on fire safety, damp and mould growth, slips and trips, entry by intruders and excess cold
- Respond to complaints
- HMO licensing
- Gathering intelligence

