



Agenda

Redbridge Landlord Forum

Thursday 3 April 2025

7.00pm – 9.00pm

via Microsoft Teams

1. Welcome

Chaired by Richard Blanco

2. Introduction

Cllr Saima Ahmed, Cabinet Member for Housing & Homelessness

3. Regulatory Briefing & Housing Market Update with Chair, Richard Blanco

The Renters Rights Bill is making its way swiftly through parliament and the government is consulting on Minimum Energy Efficiency Standards. Richard will provide a full briefing, plus an update on the lettings and sales market

4. Disabled Facility Grants in Rented Properties

Themis Skouros Group Manager, Environmental Health

5. Housing Needs Update

Presentation on current housing initiatives with Janet Weekes, LBR Head of Housing Needs

6. Licensing and Enforcement Update

Shamol Ali LBR Group Manager PSH, Cheryl Hart LBR Property Licensing Processing Manager will provide an update on property licensing and enforcement

7. Neighbourhoods Update

Joanne Smallman, LBR Neighbourhood Street Scene Manager will update on projects including side waste, fly tipping and the “crime not to care” campaign

8. Panel Discussion: State Of the Market

House prices have been climbing this Spring - partly fuelled by the increases in Stamp Duty from 1 April - so will prices now fall into a lull? The Bank of England is cutting interest rates, but this has barely impacted on mortgage rates so far in 2025. What are the factors holding lenders back? How are the Renters Rights Bill and consultation on Minimum Energy Efficiency Standards affecting landlord sentiment? Richard will chair a panel discussion on where the market is heading