# Work with the private sector to increase the availability of rented homes



**Overview** 

This standard is about enabling the availability of additional homes, particularly those involved in working with private landlords.

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## Performance criteria

#### You must be able to:

- P1 develop and manage systems to quickly get empty properties back into use
- P2 identify privately-owned empty properties in order to confirm their status as empty properties
- P3 provide advice for private landlords on the options available to them for dealing with their empty property/properties
- P4 provide support for private sector landlords to get their property up to standard
- P5 develop and manage schemes to support self-regulation by private landlords
- P6 identify properties which satisfy the requirements of private sector management orders
- P7 apply for private sector management orders to take over the management of the property
- P8 develop and manage initiatives to provide more housing options and choice for customers
- P9 develop and manage rent guarantee/bond schemes or other schemes that enable customers to secure a new home
- P10 identify private sector options to provide new homes for customers
- P11 follow all company procedures and legislative requirements in relation to enabling the availability of new homes

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## Knowledge and understanding

You need to know and understand:

- K1 the reasons for securing the availability of additional homes
- K2 the procedures which your organisation has in place for monitoring and reporting on their provision of additional homes
- K3 how to support private sector landlords to get their property up to standard
- K4 how to develop and manage schemes to support self-regulation by private landlords
- K5 company procedures and legislation in relation to private sector management orders
- K6 risk assessment procedures
- K7 how to ensure the health, safety and security of yourself and others
- K8 lettings and allocation procedures
- K9 the correct actions to take in response to problems
- K10 the responsibilities of all relevant parties with respect to the condition of property
- K11 how to record the actions taken
- K12 organisational performance targets for managing empty properties
- K13 good practice in relation to working with the private rented sector
- K14 why the needs of the local community must be considered
- K15 legal duties and regulatory requirements
- K16 the reasons why property must meet minimum standards
- K17 relevant organisational policies and good practice standards

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