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Changes to the scope of social housing periodic tenancy reviews

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These documents have been proactively released.

26 March 2025, Cabinet paper – Changes to the scope of social housing periodic tenancy reviews

26 March 2025, Cabinet Social Outcomes Committee, Minute of Decision, SOU-25-MIN-0022, Cabinet Office.

Expanding the scope of periodic tenancy reviews in social housing by modifying exemptions for classes of people who are not being considered for reviews. Key changes include increasing the exemption age from tenancy reviews for tenants or their partners from 65 to 70, and limiting the exemption age from tenancy reviews for tenants or their partners with dependent children under 14 years old. The changes aim to better utilise social housing and free up social housing properties for people with a greater need, including those in emergency housing.

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- Section 9(2)(f)(iv) - the confidentiality of advice under active consideration.

Please note – The Cabinet paper '*Changes to the scope of social housing periodic tenancy reviews*' had a typographical error in paragraph 23. The exemption age change is 18 to 14, not 14 to 18. This does not have any impact on the proposed changes to the scope of social housing tenancy reviews and this has been mentioned correctly anywhere else.

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