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| **TITLE** | **Publication of Summary of Responses to the Green Paper Call for Evidence on securing a path towards Adequate Housing- including Fair Rents and Affordability** |
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Today, I have published the [Summary of Responses to the Green Paper Call for Evidence on securing a path towards Adequate Housing- including Fair Rents and Affordability.](https://www.gov.wales/securing-path-towards-adequate-housing-including-fair-rents-and-affordability)

The Green Paper Call for Evidence on securing a path towards Adequate Housing- including Fair Rents and Affordability was published on 6th June 2023 and closed on 15th September 2023. The Green Paper received 371 completed responses.

The Green Paper was a call for evidence to better understand the rental market in Wales, in particular understanding rents, tenant and landlord behaviour, affordability, and approaches for how we could improve housing adequacy over time, including evidence on how to achieve housing adequacy in Wales.

Over the summer in 2023, workshops were held with various stakeholders, including private landlords and tenants. A total of six workshops were held in Llandudno, Carmarthen, and Cardiff, and were attended by 168 people. In addition, the Local Government and Housing Committee in the Senedd held an Inquiry into the Right to Adequate Housing, and in line with the Government’s acceptance of the Committee’s recommendations the evidence submitted to the Inquiry has also been reviewed.

These contributions are informing the development of a White Paper, to be published in the summer, as part of our Programme for Government Commitment, and the commitment in the Co-Operation Agreement with Plaid Cymru.

I would like to thank everyone who has responded.