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Short Term Lets Stakeholder Working Group

By e-mail

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Dear working group member,

SHORT-TERM LETS LICENSING SCHEME: PRAGMATIC CHANGES

I am writing to you to draw your attention to the attached letter which I sent to the Scottish Parliament's Local Government, Housing and Planning Committee on 7 October. This letter explains the significant and pragmatic changes I propose to make to the Licensing Order to address issues raised with me during the 2021 consultation process.

I want to listen, be constructive and to get this legislation absolutely right. I am grateful to working group members and others for their thoughtful suggestions to improve the legislation and I have listened. My officials will continue to work through a range of other more technical comments and suggestions and they will be in touch where they need further clarification in respect of these.

I look forward to continuing to work constructively with you to finalise and implement the licensing scheme effectively.

I am copying this letter to the Association of Scotland's Self-Caterers, Airbnb, the Scottish B&B Association, and the UK Short Term Accommodation Association.

Yours sincerely,

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