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Dear Sir George,

Thank you for your email of 8 August to the Rt Hon Greg Clark MP, on behalf of your constituent

about renters' rights. I am replying as this matter falls within my ministerial responsibilities.

Like , I am a passionate advocate for a fairer private rented sector. I am glad to hear that he supports our planned reforms and is keen to see them put into legislation as soon as possible.

We recognise the vital role good landlords play in providing homes for millions of people across the country, but we know there are problems and not everyone has a good experience. We are absolutely committed to tackling the worst issues in the private rented sector – driving up standards, giving tenants greater security and supporting local authorities to crack down on poor practice.

Our White Paper 'A Fairer Private Rented Sector' was published on 16 June 2022 and can be read here: <https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/a-fairer-private-rented-sector>. It sets out our plan to level up housing quality, building on the vision in the Levelling Up White Paper.

Our 12-point plan sets out clear actions to reform the sector for landlords and tenants. It sets a strategic direction and demonstrates our ambition and determination to give private renters a better deal. The Department has undertaken significant engagement with the sector, including Generation Rent, during the development of our reforms. We will continue to work closely with a wide range of stakeholders to refine and implement our proposals.

We remain committed to introducing a Renters Reform Bill in this session of Parliament.

I trust this information is helpful and I thank you for writing on this important matter.

Yours ever,

EDDIE HUGHES MP