
The Future of Council Housing

We welcome the above report. It is timely because of the current shortage of Local Authority Housing throughout the country particularly in the Dublin area and the many efforts being made to address this problem.

While the emphasis is and will be on the necessary supply of additional Social Housing it is important also to review and look at different ways of managing and maintaining the housing stock of Local Authorities.

Many of the previous challenges and perceived weaknesses around the management and maintenance of Local Authority housing stock remain and new challenges are arising from Part V housing and the various leasing initiatives introduced in recent years.

The changes of income related rents and the availability of discounted Tenant Purchase Schemes have been the subject of much debate over the years.