



CIEH Housing and Health Conference

Programme day one: Tuesday 21 May 2024

09.15 **Registration and online login**

09.30 **Welcome and introduction**

Chair: Henry Dawson, Lecturer in Housing and Health, Cardiff Metropolitan University

09.35 Update on the Renters Reform Bill and the implications for Environmental Health

Speaker: Henry Dawson, Lecturer in Housing and Health, Cardiff Metropolitan University

10:25 Draft regulations exempting asylum-seeker accommodation from HMO licensing requirements

- Reflections on the successful CIEH-backed legal challenge to these draft regulations
- Speaker: Zena Lynch, Honorary Associate Professor, Department of Environmental Health and Risk Management, University of Birmingham

10:50 **Comfort break & sponsorship videos**

11:10 Awaab's Law: what would it add to the existing legislation?

Speaker: Giles Peaker, Housing Lawyer, Anthony Gold Solicitors

11:40 New tools for managing empty homes

Speaker: Chris Bailey, National Campaign Manager, Empty Homes Agency

12:20 Panel discussion: health inequalities in housing – where should our priorities lie?

Panellists:

- Julia Jones, Partner, Bevan Brittan
- Tarun Bhakta, Policy Manager, Shelter
- Sarah Davis CIHCM, Senior Policy and Practice Officer, Chartered Institute of Housing (CIH)
- Chris Bailey, National Campaign Manager, Empty Homes Agency
- Janet Wade, Partnership and Development Officer, London Borough of Camden
- John Palmer, Director of Influencing and Engagement, Independent Age

13:40 **Closing remarks**

13.45 **End of day one**

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