

Dear [MSP's name],

Re: Scottish Parliament Tenement Maintenance Working Group

I am writing to you today to encourage you to join the Scottish Parliament's Tenement Maintenance Working Group. As you are no-doubt aware, the poor condition of Scotland's tenements has been a long-standing issue of concern for owner-occupiers and landlords in your constituency and throughout Scotland.

It is estimated that tenements make up one in four homes in Scotland, and a third of these were built prior to 1919. 71% of these traditional pre-1919 buildings are in a state of disrepair which must be addressed.

[Edit this letter as you see fit. You can also explain why you feel the changes are important. For example, this could include a challenge you've faced as a tenement owner.]

Through collaboration and consultation, the group is looking at the challenges associated with tenement maintenance and addressing them through legislative changes, to ultimately help build a culture of proactive maintenance and repair by owners. The next meeting of the group is scheduled for early June.

Your participation relaying the experiences of your constituents who are tenement owners would be extremely valuable. If you would like to join the group or find out more about its activities, contact Working Group Chair Graham Simpson at Graham.Simpson.msp@parliament.scot.

Yours sincerely,

[Your name and address]