



# Housing and Homelessness Conference Birmingham 3rd March 2026

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which allows them to view any situation from a variety of angles."*

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## One Day Conference

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### Agenda

**09:30 - 10:00 Registration and Refreshments**

**10:00 - 10:15 Introduction and Welcome**

**10:15 - 10:45 Andrew Dymond - Renters Rights bill Overview**

**10:45 - 11:15 Jasraj Singh Sanghera - Renters Rights Bill – new grounds for possession**

**11:15 - 11:45 Tea/Coffee Break**

**11:45 - 12:15 Ian Peacock - Homelessness - suitability and discharge of duty**

**12:15 - 12:45 Elizabeth Nicholls - Housing and Mediation**

**12:45 - 13:45 Lunch break**

**13:45 - 14:15 Jonathan Manning - Housing Benefit Claims for Exempt Accommodation**

**14:15 - 14:45 Stephanie Smith - Equality Act 2010 and Proportionality**

**14:45 - 15:15 Tea/Coffee Break**

**15:15 - 15:45 Kevin Brown - Key points in homelessness decisions**

**15:45 - 16:15 Iain Colville - Housing needs assessments and PHPs**

**16:15 - 16:30 Q & A Session**

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