

**Department for Communities**

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# **Common Purpose**

**Supporting People**

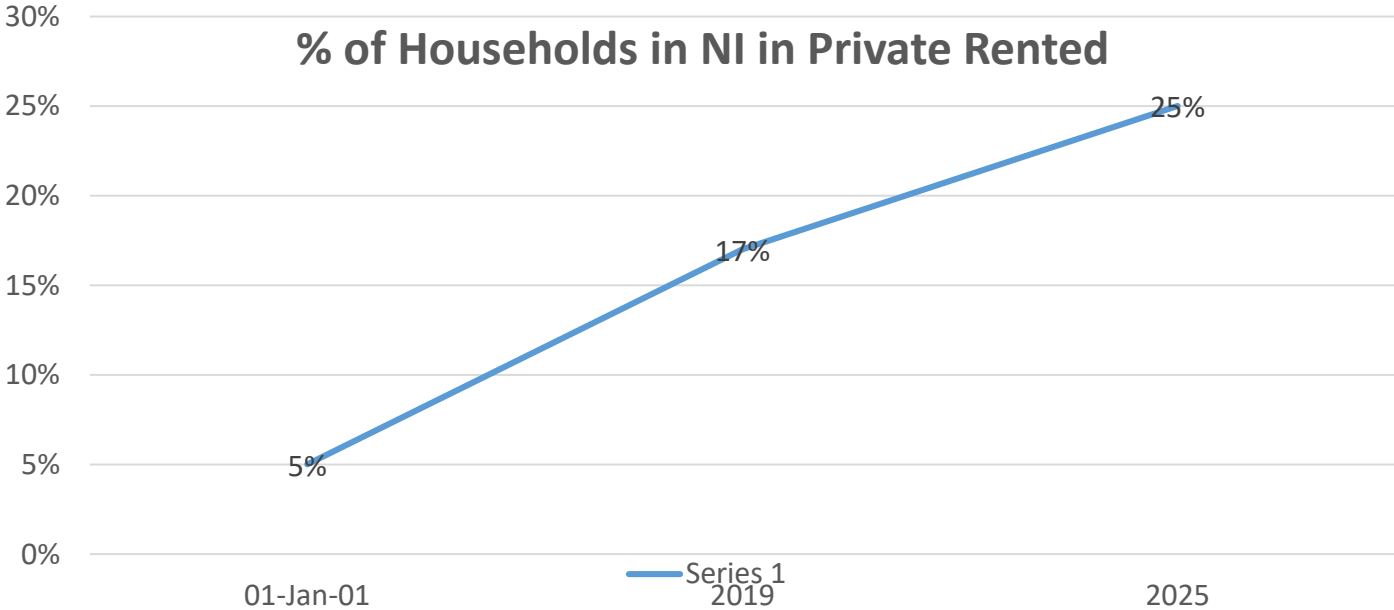
**Building Communities**

**Shaping Places**

# Housing Overview

- **Co-ownership.**
- **Protected Supporting People.**
- **Review of social housing allocations.**
- **Secured the next 5-years of the Affordable Warmth Programme.**
- **Year 2 Inter-Departmental Homelessness Action Plan.**
- **1,800 new social homes started.**
- **Opened our tenth Shared Housing Scheme.**

# % of Households in NI in Private Rented



# Review of the Role and Regulation of the Private Sector update

# Review on the role and regulation of the Private Rented Sector

- **Regulation**
- **Fitness**
- **Dispute Resolution**

# Department's Vision for Private Rented Sector

- **Professional**
- **Well managed**
- **Affordable**
- **Sustainable**

# Achievements



## **Landlord Registration Scheme – Since 2014**

**45,000 Landlords**

**80,000 Properties**

# **Tenancy Deposit Scheme**

**160,481 deposits protected**

**Totalling £97,847,298.11**

**Since 2013.**

## **Houses in Multiple Occupation – 30 September 2019**

- **49 HMO licences have been issued**
- **666 inspections carried out**
- **9 fixed penalty notices served worth £45,000.**

# **Landlord Helpline Calls**

**May 2019 – 160**

**June 2019 – 129**

**July 2019 – 96**

**August 2019 - 148**

**Total for the year 1486 contacts**

# Learning to Let

312 Landlords / Agents gained the CIH level 2 certificate in Letting and Managing Residential properties

# Pilot Mediation Service for the Private Rented Sector

**To offer an accessible, effective and proportionate means of resolving a dispute.**

- Mediation telephone service from 9.30 to 5pm Monday to Friday.
- Face to face mediation service in a choice of three venues across Northern Ireland.
- Pilot will be completed over a two year period.

# Affordable Rent Products

- Which work here?
- How would they operate?
- How would they be delivered?

Thank you