

Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee

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Dear Shona,

Thank you for your letter of 31 January advising the Committee of the Scottish Government's plans for tenement property and common repairs as well as sending on your formal reference to the Scottish Law Commission (SLC). The Committee is passing your response to the Local Government, Housing and Planning Committee given this area of work is part of its remit.

The Committee nevertheless agreed to write to you again on the SLC's proposed timetable. The Committee appreciates that the Commission's work should be thorough. Indeed, this is something the Committee will test whenever it considers a Bill stemming from an SLC report. Yet having more than four years to complete the work does feel a particularly long time.

Given that the Scottish Government will itself need time to consider the SLC's recommendations and whether there is a requirement for primary legislation, do you consider the draft timetable for the work to be appropriate and are there any aspects of the programme which you believe could be shortened?

I would be grateful for a response by Thursday 30 March 2022.

Yours sincerely

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Convener of the Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee