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Date: **19 February 2016**

Dear Mr Neil

Freedom of Information Act 2000 - 2089274

Thank you for your request for information which we received on 11 February 2016 and processed under the Freedom of Information Act 2000:

'Could you please clarify if a date or month has been identified where the right to buy extension will come in to force beyond the 5 HA's involved in the current pilot scheme. What will be the requirements to purchase properties under this scheme?'

I can confirm that the information you requested is held by the Department for Communities and Local Government. The Prime Minister announced on the 7th October, that tenants will be able to purchase their homes from 2016. This information can be found here:

<https://www.gov.uk/government/news/historic-agreement-will-extend-right-to-buy-to-13-million-more-tenants>

We have always been clear that the Right to Buy will be funded through the sale of vacant high value assets. That legislation is in the Housing and Planning Bill which is currently making its way through Parliament.

Complaints procedure

If you are unhappy with this response, we will review it and report back to you. (This is called an internal review.) If you want us to do this, let us know by return email within two months of receiving this response. You can also ask by letter addressed to:

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If you are unhappy with the outcome of this internal review, you can ask the independent Information Commissioner to investigate. The Information Commissioner can be contacted at email address xxxxxxxx@xxx.xxx.xx or use their online form at ico.org.uk/concerns or call them on 0303 123 1113.

Yours sincerely

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