Review of funding for emergency housing



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Context for review

- Review of emergency housing funding is part of a broader social housing reform programme that aims to create:
 - a fair, efficient and effective social housing market which will better support people in greatest need for the duration of that need
- Funding review was commissioned in December 2014 by the Minister for Social Housing as part of a range of initiatives to alleviate pressure on emergency housing:
 - One-off \$500,000 cash injection for emergency housing providers
 - Review of funding for emergency housing by July 2015
 - Establishment of an Auckland database for emergency housing



Approach to review

- Two-phase review:
 - Phase One understand current funding landscape and issues (by end April). To include:
 - What funding is currently provided, by whom and for what purposes?
 - What does current supply and demand look like?
 - What issues do current funding arrangements create?
 - What do we mean by emergency housing?
 - Phase Two develop options for change (by end July):
 - Where should government support for emergency housing be targeted?
 - How could better outcomes be achieved for the people using emergency housing?
- Keen to work closely with sector on the review



Questions for discussion

- What is the best way to get feedback from the emergency housing sector?
 - existing network meetings
 - online questionnaire
 - other options/suggestions?
- What are the best sources of data about supply and demand for emergency housing?
 - some information from the Social Housing Register on applicants living in insecure housing but it is limited
 - other sources of data?
- What other work/information is out there that could be useful?

