



GLASGOW: A CHANGING CITY

HOUSING AND HOMELESSNESS

Key stats

There are over **301,000** dwellings in Glasgow

45% are owner occupied
20% are privately rented
35% are social housing



44% are single person households

5,210

households in Glasgow were assessed as homeless or threatened by homelessness in 2020-21

This included 5,743 adults and 1,889 children



Covid-19 impact



Rough sleeping reduced during Covid-19 as the 'Everyone In' strategy was pursued across the UK



Halting evictions led to fewer homelessness presentations

but those in the homelessness system **spent longer in temporary accommodation**

Some people in rented accommodation **still accrued rent arrears during the pandemic**, creating a **debt problem** for the future




Our recommendations

 Continued **funding for homelessness prevention** including rapid re-housing, support for the 'Housing First' approach and **accelerating the availability of affordable homes**

 Use homelessness statistics to **target prevention work** where it is most needed

 Continue to build on **partnerships between local authorities and third sector**

 **Support people struggling financially in their tenancies** beyond the Covid-19 halt on evictions

 **Involve people who have experience of homelessness and front-line workers** in the formation of policy

It is crucial to continually monitor and report on both longstanding inequalities and emerging trends to inform population health debate, policy choices and service planning

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