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Greater security for renters

Thank you to everyone who has contacted me about greater security for renters.

Losing a tenancy is the main driver of homelessness and also causes huge instability for renting families. Through no-fault of their own too many renters are forced to uproot their lives or find new schools for their children at short notice due to the terms of their rental contract.

The proposals put forward by the Government to consult on three-year tenancies for renters were a step forward to providing greater stability for renters and like many people I am concerned by reports that the Government are considering scrapping plans to guarantee three-year tenancies for renters.

In our manifesto last year Labour pledged to make three year tenancies in the private rented sector standard across the sector along with rent caps linked to inflation. We recognise that longer tenancies alone are ineffective if landlords can still force tenants out by hiking up the rent. That is why a Labour's Government would introduce new rights for renters that would include controls on rents as well as an end to no-fault evictions and protection against substandard rented homes.

Thanks again to everyone who has contacted me regarding this issue.

Best wishes,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Richard Burden'.

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