The London Assembly Housing Committee has launched an investigation into the Mayor’s Affordable Homes Programmes [2016-23 and 2021-26]. This investigation aims to:

* Scrutinise the GLA’s progress against its delivery targets for the Affordable Homes Programme (AHP) 2016-23 and 2021-26.
* Examine the GLA’s plans to meet its overall target for the 2021-26 programme during its final year, 2025-26.
* Understand the views of housing associations and councils on the design of the next AHP.
* Examine the GLA’s plans for the next AHP, including design, monitoring and transparency.

Below is information about the investigation and Call for Evidence, as well as key questions the Committee is interested in hearing about.

**Who can submit evidence?**

This Call for Evidence is open to all who would like to respond. We particularly welcome responses from GLA investment partners.

**Why is the Committee exploring this topic?**

The London Assembly investigates issues of importance to Londoners and is the body that holds the Mayor to account. Affordable housing is one of the most important issues facing Londoners. London has an acute housing need and the Affordable Homes Programme is the Mayor’s key lever for delivering new affordable housing in London. With the current programme coming to an end, the Committee is keen to understand investment partners’ experience of the programme and their priorities for the next AHP.

**Will responses be published?**

Yes, in most cases we will publish written submissions and the name of the individual or organisation that submitted it online. This is so that there is transparency about what evidence the Committee has received.

Exceptions to this are usually applied where there is a legal reason for non-publication or if there is a safeguarding or welfare issue. If there is a reason that you would like your evidence not to be published with your name (submitted anonymously) or to not be published (submitted confidentially), please let us know and the Committee will consider it. However, this cannot be guaranteed, and the Assembly may be required to release non-personally identifiable information if requested under the Freedom of Information Act 2000.

**What will the evidence I provide be used for?**

The responses to this Call for Evidence will be used to develop questions to ask the GLA. These will be held as open meetings, and anyone is welcome to attend as an audience member to watch the discussion on the [Assembly webcasts page](https://webcasts.london.gov.uk/Assembly).

The responses to this Call for Evidence will also be used to inform recommendations to the Mayor, which will likely be in a report. If information and/or quotations from submissions to this call for evidence are used in this output, we will cite you. We inform those who have submitted evidence about the outcome of the investigation in the form of a link to a report or output when it is published.

**Where can I find your privacy notice?**

The London Assembly and the GLA are committed to protecting your privacy and personal data when you contact us or submit evidence. You can find the GLA’s privacy notice [here](https://www.london.gov.uk/who-we-are/governance-and-spending/privacy-policies/gla-privacy-policy).

**Do I need to answer all the questions?**

No, you are welcome to answer the questions that are most relevant to you or your organisations and for which you have the most expertise or experience.

**How do I submit evidence?**

Please send evidence in a Word document format (not PDF) by email to:**scrutiny**@**london**.**gov**.**uk**

The deadline for submission is **Friday 8th August 2025**

**Key questions**

***To investment partners:***

1. What are the key challenges you have faced delivering affordable housing over the course of the AHP 2021-26, and do you think you will be able to meet your delivery agreement?
2. Where you have delivered affordable housing to target, what went well?
3. How could the GLA better support you to meet your delivery targets?
4. [To councils only] Does the design of the AHP allow you to build the kind of homes that meet local need [i.e. family-sized homes, accessible homes, etc]?
5. Which affordable housing tenures have you sought to deliver, what has been your experience with these, and how should this be reflected in future programmes?

***To all:***

1. What worked well about the design and administration of the AHP 2021-26, and what didn’t?
2. Is the Mayor’s AHP delivering homes for the Londoners who need them most?
3. What would you prioritise for the design of the upcoming AHP?
4. Is the AHP 2021-26 meeting the needs of Deaf and Disabled Londoners, and others who require accessible housing?
5. Is there anything else you would like the GLA to do differently when it comes to delivering the AHP?

**About the Committee**
The Housing Committee examines matters relating to housing in London and takes a lead on scrutiny of the Mayor's Housing Strategy. To read more about our previous work, please [visit our website](https://www.london.gov.uk/who-we-are/what-london-assembly-does/london-assembly-committees/housing-committee).

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