

RUGBY BOROUGH COUNCIL

QUESTION PURSUANT TO STANDING ORDER 10

COUNCIL – 20 JULY 2021

QUESTION C

Councillor Mrs O'Rourke to ask the Leader of the Council, Councillor Lowe:

“What power does this authority have in addressing landlords who provide poor housing?”

Councillor Lowe, Leader of the Council, to reply as follows:

“The council has powers to regulate private landlords through the Housing Act 2004 which is delegated to the Neighbourhoods Team in Regulation and Safety. The team proactively inspects the highest risk properties such as houses in multiple occupation and also respond to complaints from tenants and landlords. The Act provides a wide range of powers including powers to require improvements, closures and taking responsibility for management. Detailed advice is available on the council's website for landlords and tenants (search for 'private sector housing').