

## The Regulatory and Statistical Return Data Set in 2006: Technical Notes

Each year the Housing Corporation publishes a set of tables summarising the information provided by Registered Social Landlords (RSLs) in the Regulatory and Statistical Return (RSR).

These notes focus specifically on the changes applied to the return in 2006 (in comparison to the 2005 return), and it should be used in conjunction with its sister paper, *Comparison of the RSR data tables published by the Housing Corporation in 2005 and 2006*, available from the Dataspring website ([www.dataspring.org.uk](http://www.dataspring.org.uk)) and the Housing Corporation's RSR website ([www.rsrsurvey.co.uk](http://www.rsrsurvey.co.uk)).

The main changes to the RSR 2006 Long return were as follows:

Part	Change
Part 5: Parent and Subsidiary Organisations	Part deleted.
Part D: Other activities and services provided by RSLs	New question D3 – Possible provision of mortgages and secured loans
Part E: General needs stock in ownership	E7 – Stock provided for refugees - no longer voluntary
Part F: Supported housing and/or housing for older people in ownership/management	F7 – Stock provided for refugees - no longer voluntary
Part G: Lettings	G8 – Anti-social Behaviour Orders (ASBOs) - no longer voluntary
	New question G9 Anti-social Behaviour Injunctions
Part H: Rent and service charges – general needs, supported housing and/or housing for older people	H2 new lines 36 – 42 – Supported housing/housing for older people let on other letting arrangements
Part Ia: Assured and secure general needs average weekly rents, service charges and target rents including ERCF stock (excluding supported housing and housing for older people)	Line 9 – Staff Units deleted
Part J: Ownership of shared ownership dwellings	Line 7 – Leaseholders in rent/service charge arrears – deleted
	Line 8 – Leaseholders in rent/service charge arrears for more than 3 months – deleted
Part K: Sales and demolitions	Line 7 – Rehabilitated for Outright sale –

	deleted
Part O: Housing stock by Local Authority area	<p>New columns</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• General needs stock given over to Choice Based lettings – Column 5</li> <li>• Supported Housing given over to Choice Based lettings – Column 11</li> <li>• Housing for Older People given over to Choice Based lettings – Column 12</li> <li>• Sales stock given over to Choice Based lettings – Column 16</li> <li>• Total number of staff units – Column 20</li> <li>•</li> </ul>
Part Q: Performance Indicators	Old Q4 Tenant Satisfaction now Q7
	Old Q5 Decent Homes is now Q4. The questions have changed to reflect the fact that monitoring decent homes is now a regulatory requirement
	Old Q6 Managed/Owned general needs, supported housing and/or housing for older people now Q5
	Old Q7 Repairs Performance now Q6
	Q7 Tenant Satisfaction – now only for managed stock and with new questions 13a-c

The main changes to the RSR 2006 Short return were as follows:

<b>Part</b>	<b>Change</b>
Part 1: Partnership arrangements	Part deleted.
Part 2: Governing Body meetings	Part deleted.
Part 3: Schedule 1/Disclosure of interest	Part deleted.
Part 4: Payments to Board Members or trustees	Part deleted.
Part 5: Parent and Subsidiary Organisation	Part deleted.
Part B: Non-social rental stock and leased housing: owned or managed on behalf of others	Part deleted.
Part C: Stock owned by others but managed by you and stock owned. Managed within a group structure	Part deleted.
Part D: Other activities and services provided by RSLs	Part deleted.
Part E: General needs stock in ownership	Old E1, owned stock by property type/size deleted and replaced with new E1, total owned.
	Old E2, occupied stock by tenure deleted and replaced with new E2, total occupied.
	Old E3, vacant stock, by vacant and available/not available and time deleted and replaced with new E3, total vacant.
	Old E4, self-contained vacant stock deleted
	Old E5, wheelchair user standard stock deleted
	Old E6, Non-NASS asylum seeker stock deleted
Part F: Supported housing and/or housing for older people in ownership/management	Old F1, owned stock by property type/size deleted and replaced with new F1, total owned.
	Old F3, vacant stock, by vacant and available/not available replaced with new F3, total vacant.
	Old F4, wheelchair user standard stock deleted.
	Old F5, Non-NASS asylum seeker stock deleted.
	Old F6, supported housing and/or housing for older people client groups, becomes new F4 and relates to supported stock only, not housing for older people. 'Other' client groups also deleted.

Part H: Rent and service charges – general needs	Old H1, average weekly net rents and service charges, by tenancy type/property size/other letting arrangements, deleted and replaced with new H1, one average weekly net rent and service charge figure and total stock. (excluding almshouses and Abbeyfields).
Part J: Ownership of shared ownership dwellings	Part deleted
Part K: Sales, transfers and demolitions	Part deleted.
Part N: Unsold developments	Part deleted.
Part O: Housing stock by Local Authority area	Old columns 2 (total general needs self contained units owned) and 3 (total general needs bedspaces owned) replaced with new column 2, total general needs units/bedspaces owned.
	Old column 4, total general needs wheelchair user units/bedspaces owned - deleted.
	Old column 5, vacant self-contained general needs units available for letting - deleted.
	Old column 6, vacant self-contained general needs units not available for letting - deleted.
	Old columns 7 (supported housing units/bedspaces owned) and 8 (housing for older people units/bedspaces owned), becomes new columns 4 and 5.
	Old column 9, supported wheelchair user units/bedspaces owned - deleted.
	Old column 10, sales of outright/shared ownership (sales of initial shares)/new-build Homebuy - deleted.
	Old column 11, sales of RTB/RTM/RTA/PRTB - deleted.
	Old column 12, shared ownership/LHOP units owned - deleted
	Old column 13, total general needs lettings, becomes new column 6.
	Old column 14, total non-social housing stock owned - deleted.
	Old column 15, total number of homes which failed the DHS, becomes new column 7.
Part P: Paid staff and Governing Body members	Old P1, FTE paid staff by role type replaced with new P1, total FTE paid staff.
Part Q: Certification of compliance	Old Q1: Does your RSL have written financial procedures, becomes new Q2.
	Old Q2: Does your Governing Body set an annual budget? – deleted.
	Old Q3: Are all loans, investments and insurance cover (at current reinstatement value) reviewed annually? – deleted.
	Old Q4: Does your lettings policy reflect the

	Local Authority strategic priorities? – deleted.
	Old Q5: Are residents provided with a handbook or leaflet about their tenancy or lease which sets out rights and responsibilities - deleted
	Old Q6: Do you consult your residents about any proposed changes in housing management that would significantly affect them? –becomes new Q3.
	Old Q7: Are all residents made aware of your internal complaints procedure and their right to appeal to the Independent Housing Ombudsman once that procedure has been exhausted? Becomes new Q4.
	Old Q8: Does the Governing Body set annual targets for repairs performance? – deleted.
	Old Q9: Does the Governing Body review the long-term maintenance and improvement needs of the housing stock? – replaced with New Q6d.
	Old Q10: Has your Governing Body considered the Corporation’s rent influencing guidance? - deleted.
	Old Q11: Is your organisation working towards improvements in services to residents? – deleted.
	Old Q12: Has your Governing Body considered and adopted targets and action plan to address issues raised by the Race and Housing Inquiry Challenge report and the Corporation’s response setting out its regulatory requirements? – deleted.
	Old Q13: To be completed by Abbeyfields and Almshouses only. Does your organisation comply with the Almshouse Association’s standards of Almshouse management, or the Abbeyfield standard and manual of information issued by the National Abbeyfield Society? – becomes new Q5.
	Old Q14: Do you comply with the Corporation’s Regulatory Code, becomes new Q1.
	Old Q15: Decent Homes, replaced with new Q6. The questions have changed to reflect the fact that monitoring decent homes is now a regulatory requirement

	New question Q6c: How many units/bedspaces have not been brought up the Decent Homes Standard because tenants have requested that the works should not be undertaken?
	Old Q16, additional comments, becomes new Q7.