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# Renting in an Expanding Rural Market

- The Rural Private Rented Sector:
  - ◆ Background
  - ◆ Changing Market
  - ◆ Raising Standards
  - ◆ Increasing Options

# Background

- Level of Private Rented Sector in rural Scotland:

Scotland	7%
Highland	10%
Cairngorms	21%
Badenoch and Strathspey	25%
- Housing role of SRPBA members
- Estates – income from residential letting
- Households within the sector



# A Changing Market?

- Sectoral Role:
  - ◆ Landlord
  - ◆ Tenant
    - ◆ Traditional
    - ◆ Tied
    - ◆ Easy access
    - ◆ Transitional
    - ◆ Residual
    - ◆ Affordable/Social – a new role?



# Raising Standards

- Positive Engagement
- Regulation/Legislation
- Voluntary Accreditation
- Market driven
- Rural Sustainability



# Increasing Options

- Private Rented Sector playing effective role in meeting the needs of rural Scotland
- Increasing supply of affordable rural housing
  - ◆ Rural Empty Property Grant
  - ◆ New Build for Rent
  - ◆ Partnership Working: Rural Leasing Schemes and Lead Tenancies



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