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SCOTTISH RURAL PROPERTY AND BUSINESS ASSOCIATION



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**Empty Homes -  
reducing waste to create  
affordable homes.**

**The use of Rural Empty  
Property Grants**



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# Rural Empty Property Grant

- Aims
- Criteria
- Mechanism
- Other Issues
- Practical Examples



# REPG AIMS

- Increase the supply of affordable rented housing in rural areas
- Assist local people on low or modest incomes access affordable accommodation in their own communities
- Bring derelict properties back into use
- Providing Value for Money



# REPG CRITERIA

- Eligible Properties:
  - ◆ Empty Residential Properties
  - ◆ Conversion of Non-Residential
- Eligible Areas
- Housing Need and Target Client Group
- Affordable Rental Levels



# REPG -HOW IT WORKS

- Process
- Financial Aspects
  - ◆ Grant Level
  - ◆ DCF and Rate of Return
  - ◆ Grant Clawback
- Other Aspects



# REPG - OTHER ISSUES

- Extent of Use
- Mixed Tenure Steading Developments
- Empty Properties - other options





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