

I would like to say as a housing professional that housing is a massive problem already and it will only escalate over time. As people for a long time have used housing as a cash generator it has forced people into either poor housing or the streets.

From my personal experiences I hardly see a homeless person, but I know it exists...London has really erased the visual effects of homelessness and taken it out of society's mind, it should be on the forefront on the political and social agenda just as housing supply is.

The problem of housing has been for far too long the allowance of unregulated private landlords and no enough regulation on those who have been cashing on those that need housing.

Another thing is as housing is seen as a commodity and not a home or place to live it is more a product with the attitude is if you can afford it then well done you- you are a good person, and if you cannot then you are a bad person.

The problem is so entrenched that there is no simple solution, I believe the below would help:

Supply, having new builds ring fencing at least 1 unit for someone that has suffered homelessness

Supply in general

Supply by providing empty properties back into use for those that have been homeless

Work into planning permission for private building companies to allocate research, time or units in helping to alleviate homelessness

Understanding about unemployment and homelessness, as they often go hand in hand.

I hope the above helps.

Many Thanks

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