



Public Accounts Committee

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Department for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities
London

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Dear Minister of State,

DLUHC: Contingent Liability – Affordable Homes Guarantee Scheme

On 9 May 2024, you issued a [Written Ministerial Statement](#) in respect of the extension of an existing contingent liability associated with Affordable Homes Guarantee Scheme. The related Departmental Minute was laid in the House on the same day. The extension relates to the increase in the Department's maximum exposure from the scheme from £3bn to £6bn.

On the basis of the information contained within the minute, I can confirm that I have no issues to raise on the Department's proposal to extend the contingent liability.

I am copying this letter to the Chair of the Housing, Communities and Local Government Committee, Clive Betts.

I ask that any future notifications of contingent liabilities to the Public Accounts Committee follows the requirements of Managing Public Money (MPM), namely that the Written Ministerial Statement and Departmental Minutes are drawn directly to our attention on the same day they are laid in the House of Commons, accompanied by a suitable covering letter.

Yours sincerely

Dame Meg Hillier MP
Chair of the Committee of Public Accounts