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ANNUAL CONFERENCE

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MAIN STAGE AGENDA

08:00 Registration & networking with the exhibitors

09:10 **Welcome Address** - Brendan Geraghty, Chief Executive, ARL

09:20 **The Leadership Conversation**

A panel of current and former ARL/UKAA CEOs and Chairs over the last ten years have an honest conversation about what the sector needs to do in the next decade.



Dave Butler
former Chief Executive
UK Apartment Association



Helen Kings
Managing Director and Co-Head, inhabeo & Chair, ARL



Lesley Roberts
Director of BTR Operations, Related Argent & former Chair, ARL



Roger Southam
Founder,
UK Apartment Association

10:00 **Investors' Forward Look: 2036**

What's next? An essential discussion between **Brendan Geraghty** and investors **Ashley Perry** from Apache Capital and **Dee Korab** from Puma Property Finance, to examine how the sector can close the gap between available capital and successful deployment.

10:45 Coffee & networking with the exhibitors

11:15 **Regulatory Q&A: The Renters' Rights Act** SPONSORED BY Rent Guarantor

Submit your questions in advance, to pack as much insight as possible into this quick-fire, 'Newsnight'-style Q&A with an expert panel.



Simon Foster
Partner
Shoosmiths LLP



William Sweet
Partner
FGS Global



Alex Vail
Operations Director
Association for Rental Living



Bela Zavery
Partner
Womble Bond Dickinson

11:40 **The Credibility Test: Professionalism, EDI and the Future of Rental Living**

Rental living's greatest competitive advantage: exploring how professionalism, inclusion, governance and resident trust strengthen performance, attract investment, build public confidence and support future sector growth.



Brendan Geraghty
Chief Executive
Association for Rental Living



Dame Judith Hackitt
Chair, Enginuity &
Author, *Hackitt Review*



Grace Oyesoro
Director of Operations
Quintain Living



Dr Nero Ughwujabo
Chief Executive
Pinecone Strategy

12:20 **The Next Era of Living: Place, People and the Role for Renting in UK Society**

Hear from leading academic **Yolande Barnes** and Rightmove's **Alex Slater** as we explore demographic shifts, affordability, changing lifestyles and new customer expectations.



Brendan Geraghty
Chief Executive
Association for Rental Living



Prof. Yolande Barnes
Real Estate Research and
Market Analysis Consultant



Alex Slater
Director
Rightmove

13:05 Lunch & networking with the exhibitors

14:05 **Building Viable Later Life Communities**

One of the biggest opportunities in UK housing: how professionally managed rental communities can combine independence, accessibility, wellbeing and future support while delivering attractive long-term returns, with **Jon Clark** from Touchstone, **Marcus Hodges** from Birchgrove, AgeUK's **Lisabel Miles** and Chris Powell from Pegasus Homes.

14:50 **Selling BTR Assets: The Next Stage of Maturity**

As attention turns fast to what trading established assets looks like for BTR, Invesco's **John German** and **Kevin Watson** from PLATFORM_ discuss how to make a development an attractive proposition, and what it's actually like to sell operational assets.



John German
Managing Director, Head of
Living Investments Europe,
Invesco



Kevin Watson
Operations & Commercial
Director
PLATFORM_

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15:25 Coffee & networking with the exhibitors

15:50 **What Manchesterism Means for the Rest of the UK Now**

Experts examine how local leadership, planning innovation, public-private collaboration and investment confidence can unlock regional housing delivery.



James Riding
Editor
Inside Housing



Kate Butler
Assistant Director of Policy
RE:UK



Bex Hetherington
Head of Operations
North & Scotland
Greystar



Amy Ingham
Real Estate & Residential Lead
The Good Economy

16:40 **EXCLUSIVE: NextGen Pathways survey results**

Since September, the ARL has been capturing the views and motivations of the next generation of the sector's leadership: find out what they need from great employers and what they see as the future of rental living.

17:15 **Closing Remarks** - Brendan Geraghty, Chief Executive, ARL

17:30 - 21:00 **2026 ARL Awards & 10th Anniversary Celebration Event**

Celebrate the winners and nominees in this year's ARL Awards, as well as a decade of the Association for Rental Living!

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