



Gas Access Campaign pledges to continue pushing for change

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A CAMPAIGN aimed at improving gas safety for millions of social housing tenants has pledged to continue pushing for change.

The Gas Access Campaign has vowed to continue to lobby the Department for Communities and Local Government following a statement from the department which said they had 'Yet to see hard evidence of why landlords are unable to exercise these contractual (entry) rights'.

Mark Henderson, Home Group chief executive, said: "We have written to the Minister and his predecessor to highlight the importance of this issue.

"We have got evidence supported by CORGI Technical Services and the Association of Gas Safety Managers that demonstrates the scale of this problem.

"The aim of this campaign is to simplify procedures as there are too many conflicting areas of legislation. We are proposing a small, easy to understand process for everyone to follow.

"There is a groundswell of support for the campaign and the support comes not just from housing associations but also local authorities, Members of Parliament and British Gas the UK's leading energy supplier."

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