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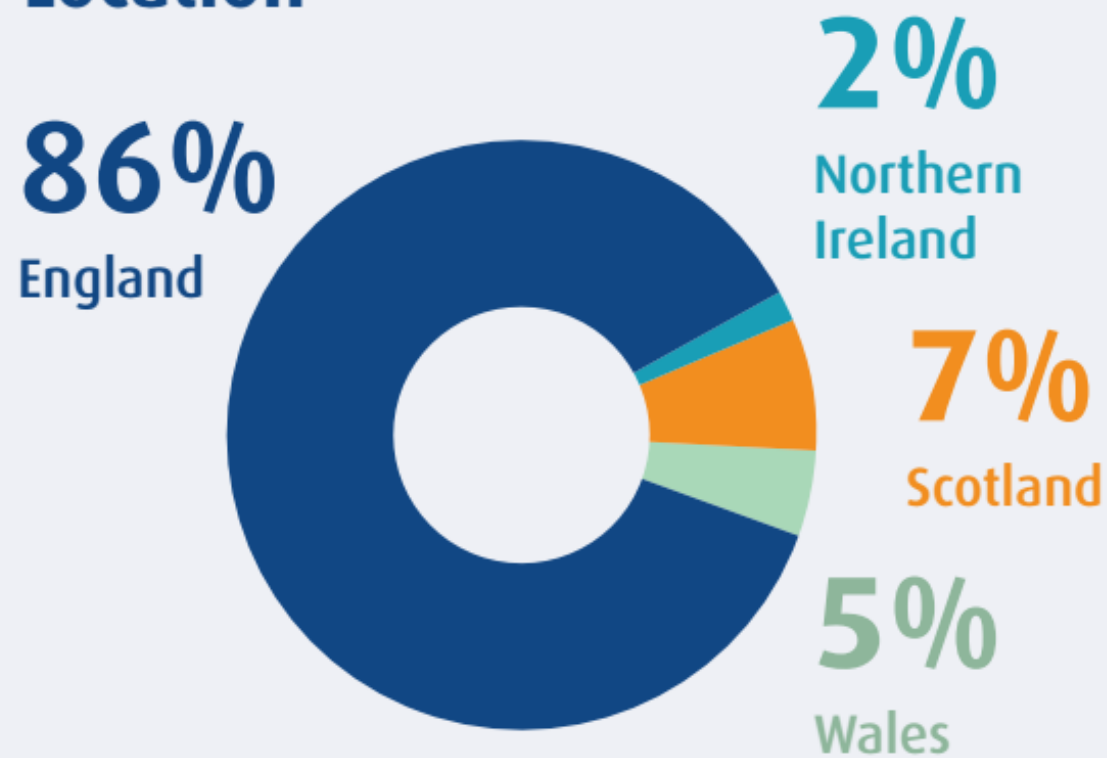
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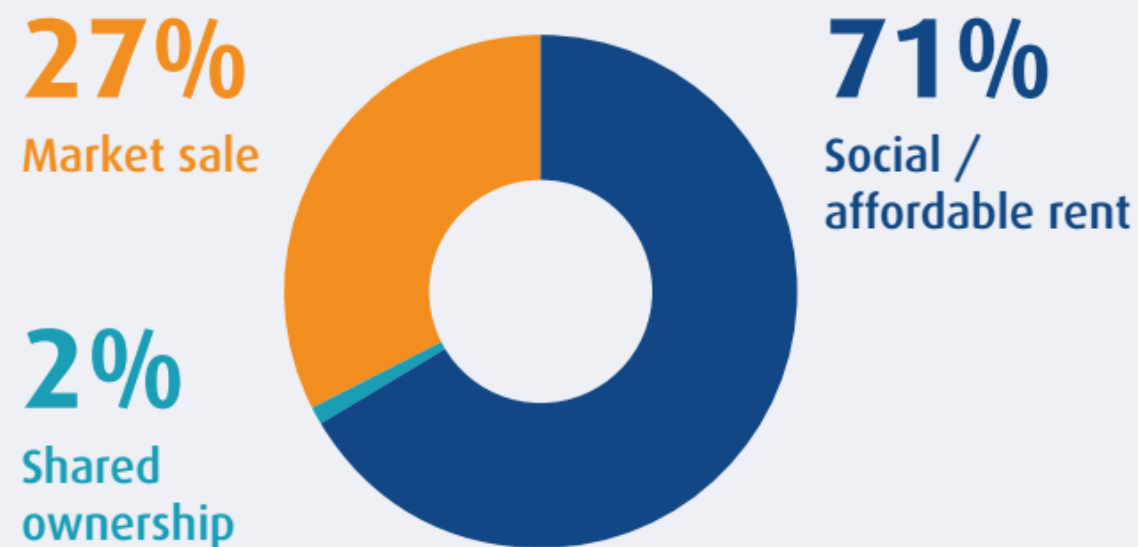
There are c.527,000 'sheltered' housing properties in the UK

Source: **EAC** Elderly Accommodation Counsel

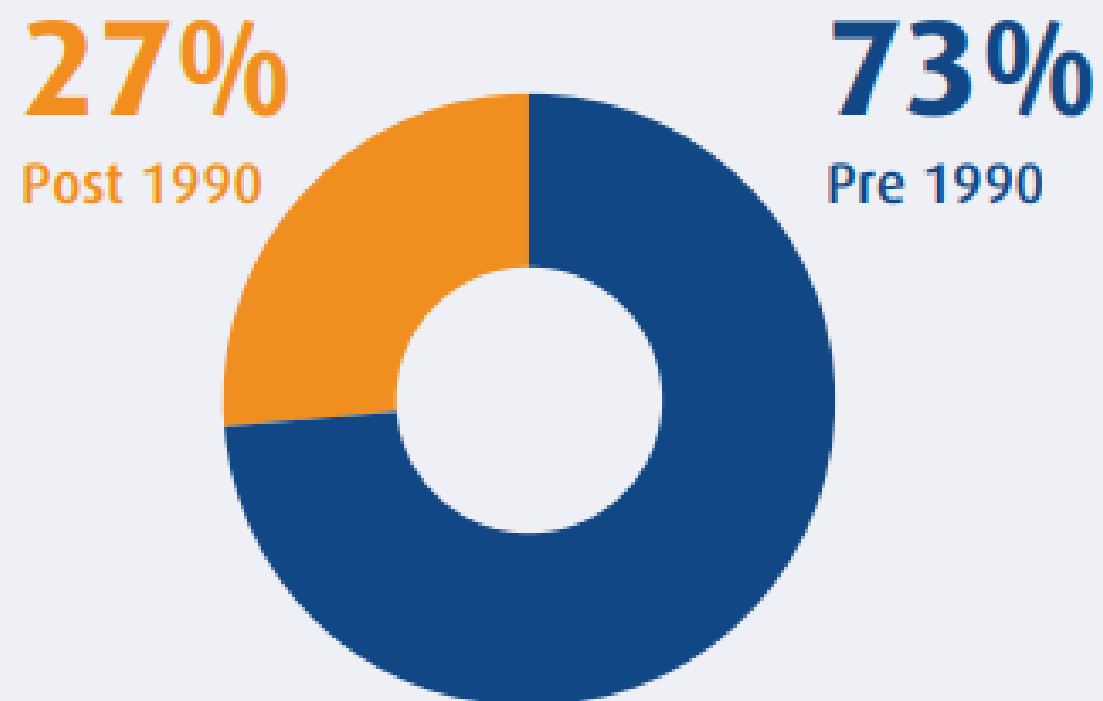
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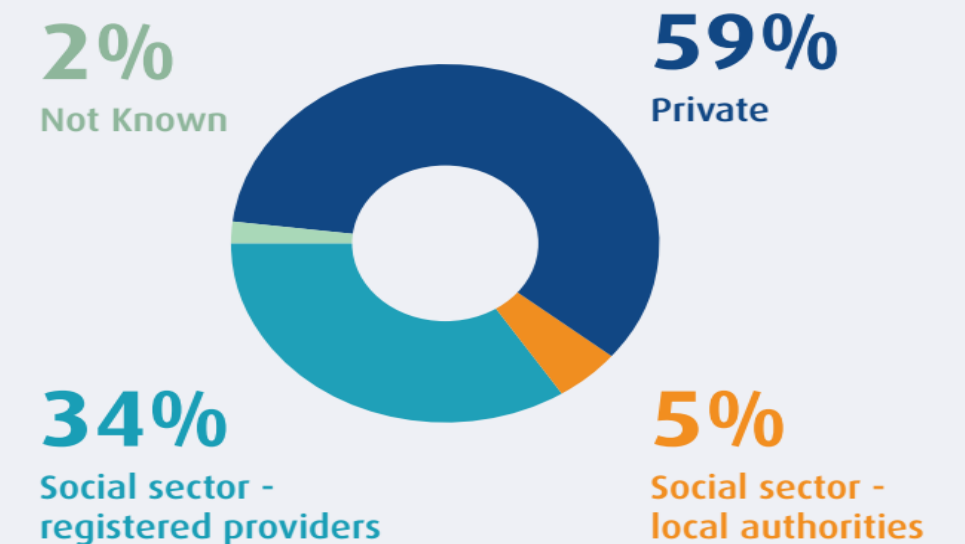
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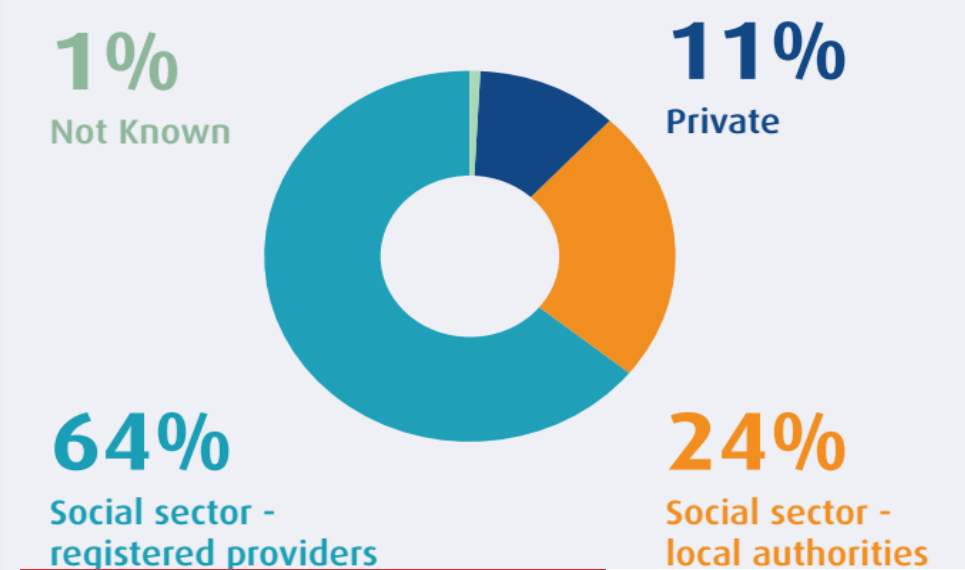
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Recommendation 1

The continuing value of sheltered housing should be recognised and the loss of any existing accommodation should be avoided, despite financial constraints.



Recommendation 22

Disposals/sales should be avoided where possible. Both the Regulator of Social Housing, as part of its new standards regime, and all social housing providers should adopt a 'charter for disposal of supported accommodation for older people'.

(A suggested charter is provided in the report at Appendix 4.)



Recommendation 6

A 10% target for older people's housing should be part of a flexible approach by Homes England/Greater London Authority for future capital investment, including the 2026-2031 Affordable Homes Programme and other funding streams, of which at least a third should be for replacing, updating, and refurbishing existing forms of sheltered housing.





Recommendation 9

Homes England and GLA capital grant funding rules should ensure that housing providers can apply for and use capital grants to refurbish and upgrade existing sheltered housing schemes without 'additionality' requirements.

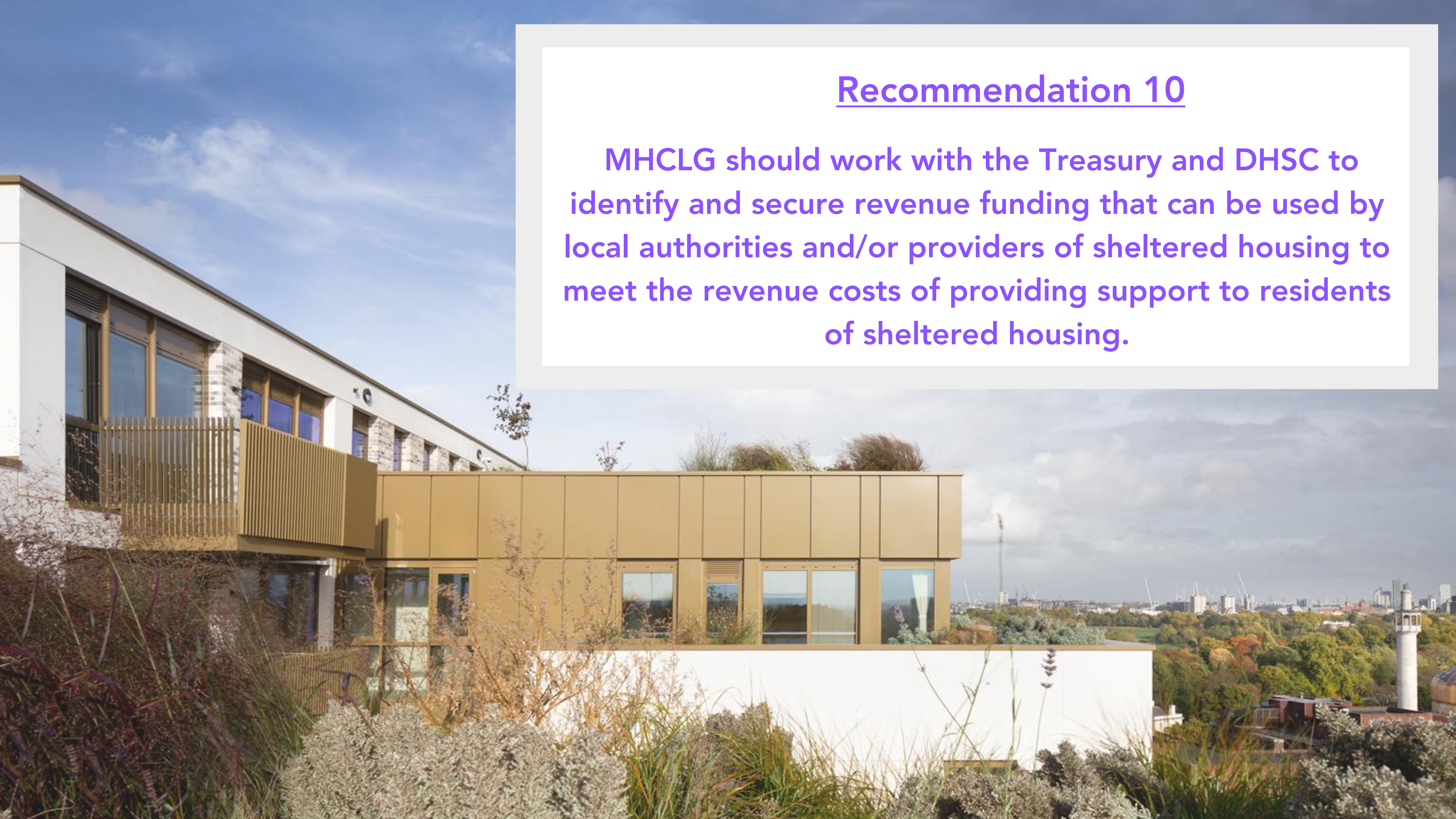


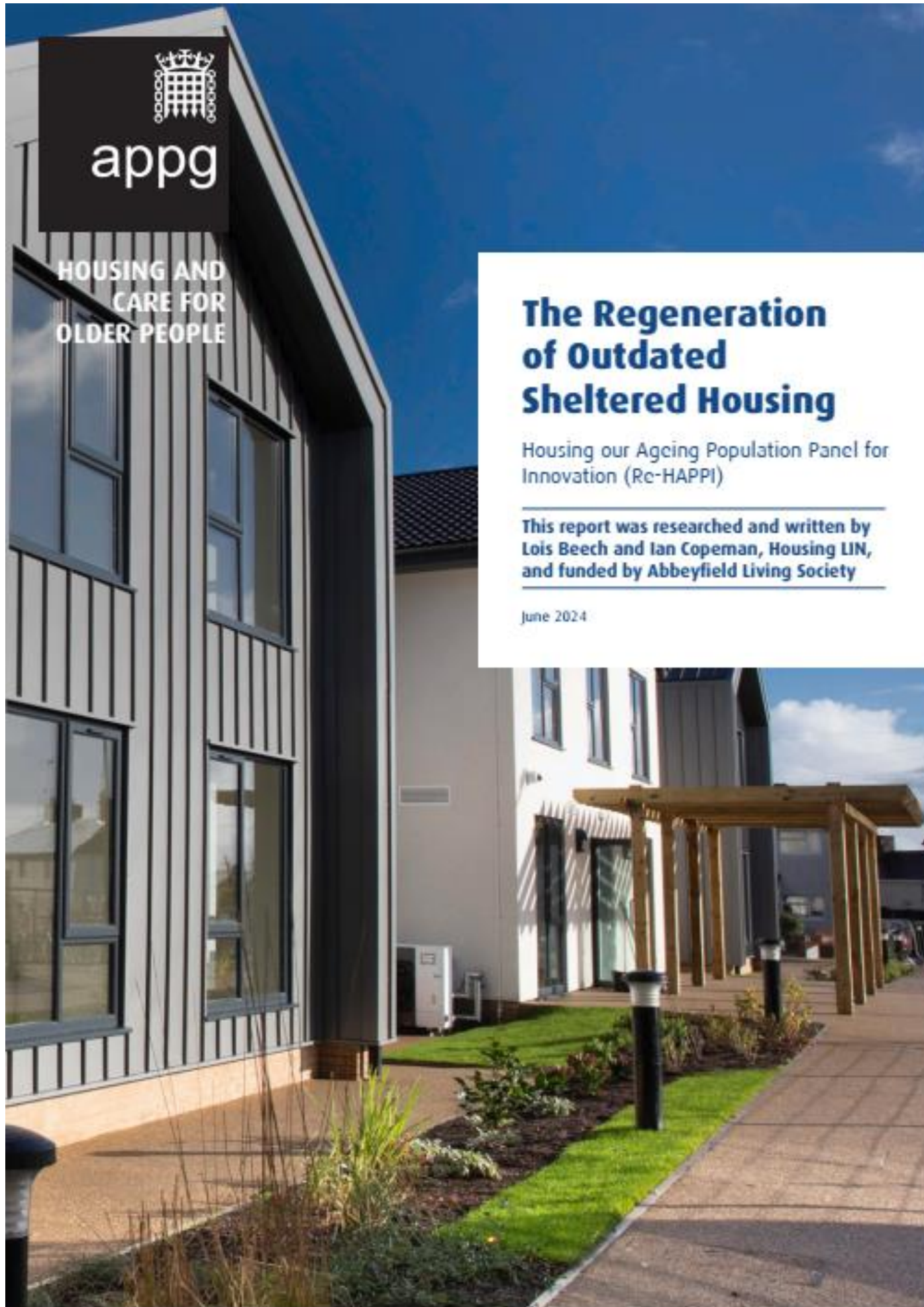
Recommendation 25

A service model in sheltered housing should cater for a diverse range of older people and be carefully crafted to balance the benefits of on-site presence and non-resident staff along with the integration of technology to enhance resident contact, experience and support social interaction.

Recommendation 10

MHCLG should work with the Treasury and DHSC to identify and secure revenue funding that can be used by local authorities and/or providers of sheltered housing to meet the revenue costs of providing support to residents of sheltered housing.





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