Cross Government Housing and Planning Statistics Work Programme

	Action	Target Date
	Improving Coherence	
C1	Prioritise topics on which to provide insight across the four countries of the UK, using existing data, starting with the Private Rented Sector	July 2018
C2	Publish a UK article on the Private Rented Sector, bringing together existing data sources to assess comparability, coherence, and assess any data limitations	Late 2018
C3	Develop a Conceptual Framework across the UK for housing and planning statistics to illustrate how we are measuring the housing and planning landscape, and assist in identification of priority topics for further improvement	September 2018
	Improving Quality	
Q1	Improve new House Building statistics for England and Wales: - Produce initial plan to improve coherence between quarterly and annual estimates for House Building statistics for England	June 2018
	- Assess options for improving the coverage and quality of New House Building statistics for Wales	Early 2019
Q2	Taking into account country specific requirements relating to legislation/policy, improve the measurement of Homelessness and Rough Sleepers	To required timescales
Q3	Plan next priorities for quality improvement or to fill gaps in user need, taking a topic based approach	September 2018
Q4	Implement new methodology for Household Projections for England	September 2018
Q5	Publish first Housing Conditions data for Wales since 2008	November 2018
Q6	Scope the potential to create a comprehensive and consistent profile of Northern Ireland Housing Stock	November 2018
Q7	Implement initial improvements to Dwelling Stock by Tenure statistics for England and Sub National Housing Affordability statistics for England and Wales	March 2019
Q8	Create relevant UK Subnational Housing analyses in areas with limited official statistics such as landlords, mortgages and communal establishments	Dependent on user consultation

	Improving Harmonisation	
H1	Produce a work programme for developing harmonized UK definitions across the four countries, where feasible, or promoting transparency where definitions are based on devolved legislation	Autumn 2018
H2	Conduct feasibility work and aim to develop a UK understanding of Homelessness definitions as a first priority	November 2018
	Improving Accessibility to Data	
A1	Develop a summary guide for users showing availability of data by producing body	July 2018
A2	Building upon open data initiatives in the four countries, consider how to improve user accessibility to data given the multi-producing bodies, including collaboration with external partners and inhouse strategic solutions	September 2018
A3	Review England Housing and Planning statistical releases to align with user interest as opposed to data collection streams, starting with Social Housing statistics	March 2019
A4	Take forward work on developing a Housing Stock Analytical Resource for Wales, bringing together a range of data on the condition and energy efficiency of housing stock	March 2019
	Improving User Engagement	
E1	Consider the optimal user engagement model with government and non-government users across the four countries of the UK to feed into continuing review of priorities	September 2018