

On rs21 producing a pamphlet on housing

Motion passed at the February 2023 All Member Assembly

This motion mandates a working group of rs21 members to produce a pamphlet focused on housing organising.

There is currently a fair amount of rs21 members involved in housing organising across England and Scotland, as part of Acorn, London Renters' Union, Greater Manchester Tenants Union and Living Rent. These members have been meeting semi-regularly and keeping in touch through an rs21 housing fraction group chat. Last year there was a reading group around the anniversary of Engels' *The Housing Question*, which led to [an article](#) reflecting on it. We've also had a recent wave of articles on housing appear on the website, suggesting that this is an area where there could be further writing developed.

Because of our connections to tenants unions, a printed publication could bring rs21's analysis of housing politics to a large number of organisers and activists. Some ideas for possible topics could be: the role of rent in the modern British economy, abolition of landlordism, 'deep organising' as an outreach method, internal structure and democracy within tenants' unions, history of renter organising in Britain, how housing organising relates to revolutionary socialism, how it relates to the climate crisis, and questions of housing cooperatives, housing associations, council housing or socialised autonomous housing that isn't mediated by the state.

