

Earned settlement

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You can read our latest [MY briefing with details of the 'earned settlement' proposals](#) announced by government last year, covering:

- Who is subject to the changes

- The four principles or ‘pillars’
- The standard qualifying period of residence for different groups
- Adjustments that subsequently can make the qualifying period shorter or longer
- Exemptions for vulnerable groups
- New conditions of settlement.

We've also considered the likely impacts on services and communities if these proposals are implemented, and outlined the timing of next steps including the government consultation running until 12 February 2026.

The briefing builds on the 2-page summary of the asylum and earned settlement announcements we shared in November.

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