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Programme Two

Synopsis of Content

Programme Two looks at the issue of state support for people trying to access housing. This was one of Beveridge's five giant evils: squalor. What inequalities are there in housing and how does the modern welfare state support people to have good quality housing?

Timed running Order

Time	Content	Syllabus link
00.00-01.00	Post war, aim of welfare state to provide council housing for those unable to buy.	The principles of the Welfare State.
01.00-03.00	Margaret, owner occupier of former council house, on advantages of right to buy.	The debate over the provision and funding of welfare; and individual versus collective responsibility.
03.00-05.00	Disadvantages of right to buy. Dean explains his difficulties in getting on the property ladder.	
05.00-05.30	Ian Patterson from East Lothian Council explains the difficulties his local authority faces in meeting the demand for socially rented housing.	
05.30-07.00	Jim Boyle from The Bridges Project describes its role in providing help and advice for homeless people.	
07.00-08.45	Johnny managed to get a council house in Dumbiedykes, Edinburgh. He is a strong supporter of council housing.	
08.45-10.00	Vox-pops from first time buyers.	
10.00-10.30	Gill Gray, of Cala Homes, on the housing boom in East Lothian and Cala's provision for the private sector.	
10.30-11.30	Vox-pops on financial difficulties of buying a house.	
11.30-13.00	Dean's financial difficulties, and how he managed to find money for a small, privately rented flat in Edinburgh.	
13.00-14.00	Johann Lamont MSP on the Scottish Executive's Affordable Housing Strategy.	
14.00-14.30	Gill Gray on Cala's affordable housing.	
14.30-15.00	Ian Patterson on the new role of local authorities as 'enablers' rather than traditional role as 'providers'.	

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15.00-16.00	Housing stock transfer issues	e d la