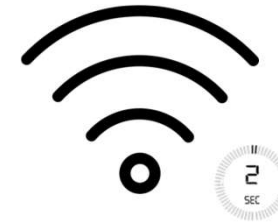


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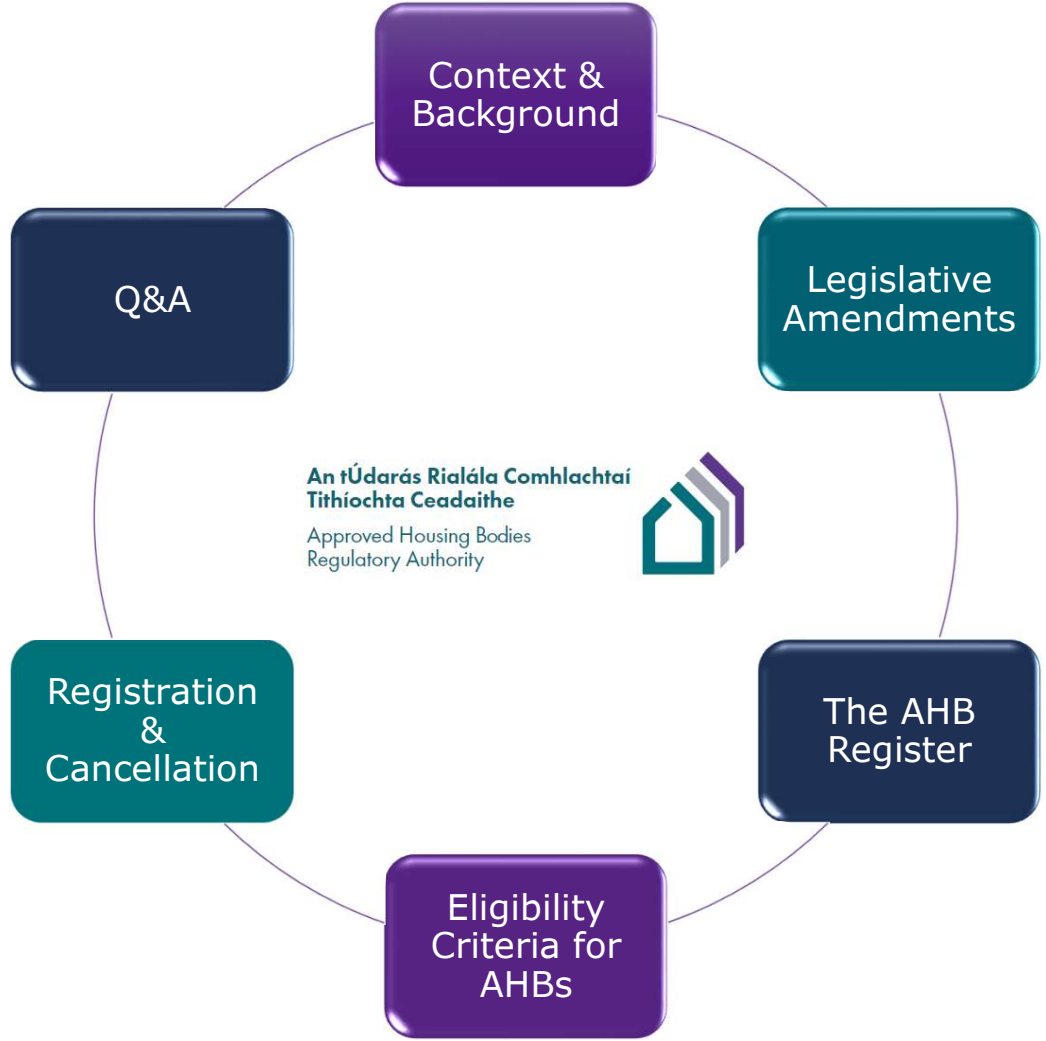


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Registration

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Objectives of Today's Session



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Context & Background

AHBRA's Statutory Remit

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The Housing (Regulation of Approved Housing Bodies) Act 2019 provides for the regulation of Approved Housing Bodies (AHBs) for the purpose of protecting housing assets provided or managed by such bodies

Regulatory Functions & Powers

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- Establishing and maintaining a register of AHBs and the registration of AHBs
- Setting standards for AHBs, subject to the approval of the Minister
- Monitoring and assessing compliance by AHBs with the standards
- Undertaking investigations into AHBs, where necessary
- Promotion & awareness
- The cancellation of registration of AHBs, where appropriate
- The power to require AHBs to transfer assets in certain circumstances

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Strategic Statement

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Our Vision:

A well-regulated sector, where AHBs demonstrate compliance, thereby contributing to funder and tenant assurance and to the sustainability of public investment in social and affordable housing.

Our Mission:

Our mission is to protect homes provided by Approved Housing Bodies through the delivery of effective regulation.

Our Values



Integrity



Independent,
proportionate and Fair



Accountable and
Transparent



Co-operative



Innovation

Our Four Strategic Objectives

Contribute to the Resilience of the AHB Sector by Embedding Regulation

Promote Trust and Confidence in AHBRA through Stakeholder Engagement

Support Compliance and Efficiency by enhancing AHBRA's Operations

Develop AHBRA's Organisational Capacity within an Inclusive, Values-led Environment.

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Legislative Amendments

Legislative Amendments - Overview



Change to definition of provision of dwellings to alleviate a housing need – eligibility criteria

Amendments to section 34 – register deemed AHBs

Enter information in the Register for registered AHBs

Amendments to section 57 and 58 cancellations

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The AHB Register

The AHB Register



- *Establish and maintain a Register of AHBs*

Information Required

AHB Name and principal place of business

Registration Number

Date of Registration

Activity to which registration relates

Names of directors, trustees, or other member of governing body

Any other particulars the Regulator considers appropriate

Entries relating to compliance

The AHB Register

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Register Requirement	Source of Information
Name of AHB	AHB Register
Registration Number	AHB Register
Date of Registration	Date of commencement – 18 th November 2024
Principal Place of Business in the State	Annual Monitoring Form 2024
Names of directors where the AHB is a company	Companies Registration Office via CRIF Vision Net
Members of the committee of management where the AHB is a Registered or Friendly Society	Requested directly from the AHB
Trustees where the AHB is a charitable trust	Requested directly from the AHB
Members of the association where the AHB is an unincorporated association	Requested directly from the AHB
Activity to which registration relates	Subject to further development in 2025

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Eligibility Criteria for AHBs

Eligibility Criteria



An AHB must be one of the following organisation types:

A company with at least 5 directors that is:

- A Company Limited by Guarantee
- or
- A Designated Activity Company Limited by Guarantee

A Registered Society

A Friendly Society within the meaning of the Friendly Societies Acts 1896 to 2018

A Charitable Trust, with at least 5 trustees, that is a registered charitable organisation

Eligibility Criteria

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An AHB **must** include either or both of the following as its primary object or primary objects.

The provision of dwellings for the purpose of the alleviation of housing need

The management of dwellings provided for the purpose of the alleviation of housing need, whether or not it provides those dwellings

Eligibility Criteria



An AHB **must** include the following provisions in its constitution.

Prohibiting the distribution of any surplus, profit, bonus or dividend to members or directors or other persons

Requiring that all of its property be applied solely in furtherance of its primary object (the provision or management of dwellings for the alleviation of housing need)

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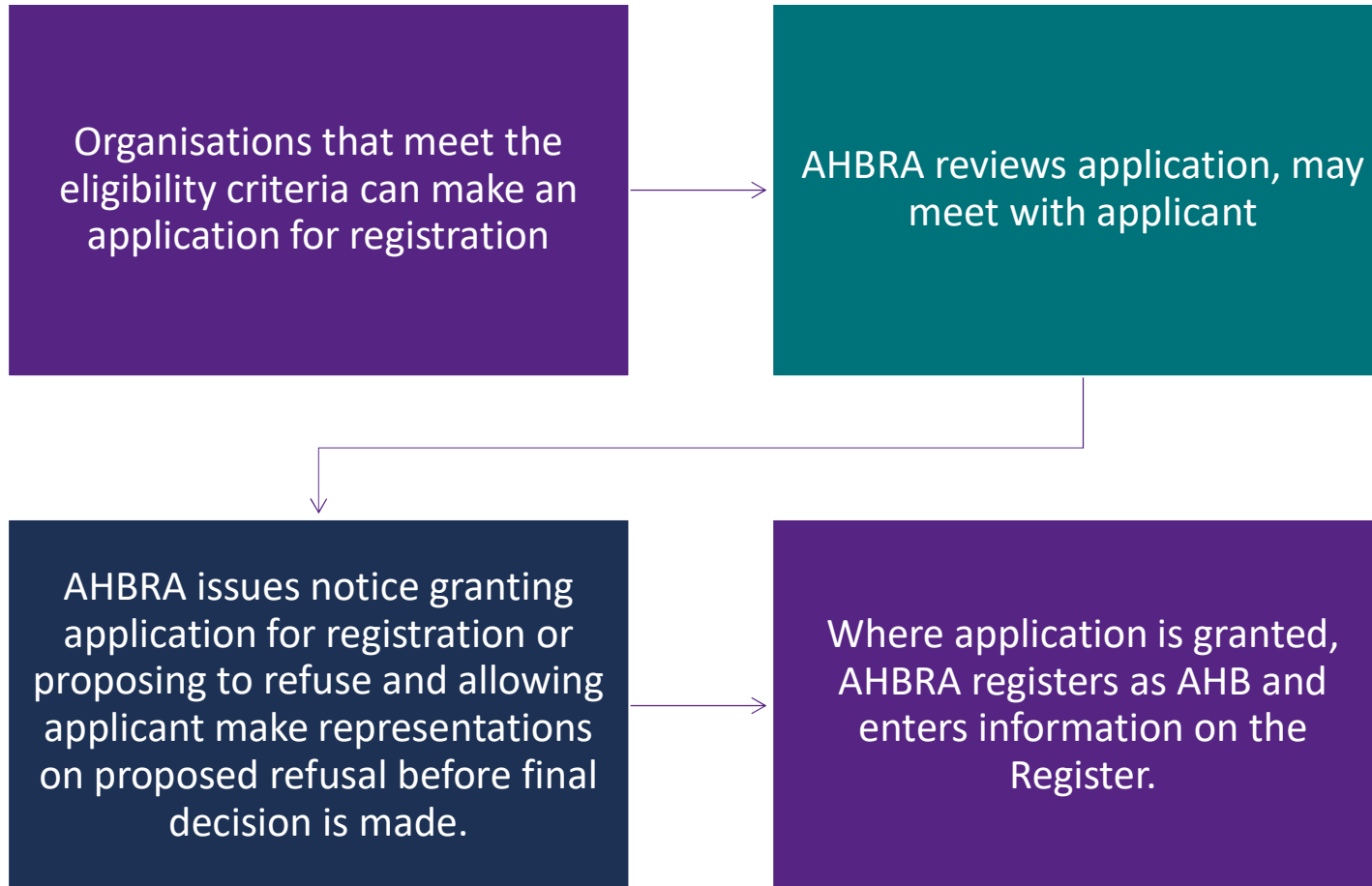


Registration & Cancellation

Registration Process

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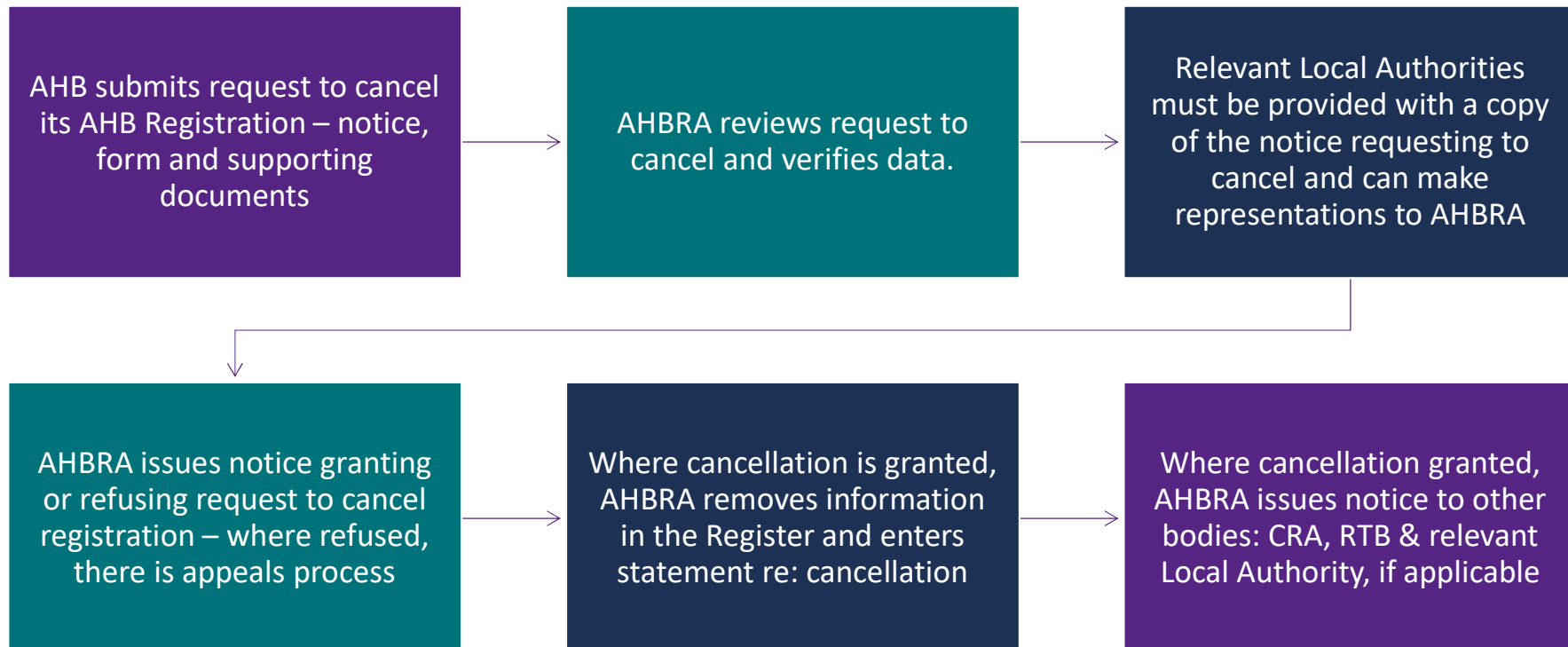
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Cancellation where an AHB Requests

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AHBRA shall grant the cancellation request unless:

- The Regulator considers that any proposals are not in line with the terms and conditions of their funding
- The Regulator considers that removal is sought with a view to distributing its assets to its members
- A standards assessment has been commenced and has not yet been completed
- An investigation has been launched into the affairs of the AHB in question and has not been completed
- There are legal proceedings under the Act pending in relation to the AHB concerned
- Any other reason the Regulator reasonably considers that granting the request would prejudice the performance of the Regulator's functions



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Q&A