



Scottish Tenant Farmers Association

What Next For Land Reform?

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Where have we got to?

- Land Reform Act (Scotland) 2016, Part 10
- Why we need the Part 10 reforms
- A tenant's perspective on Part 10
- A land reformer's perspective on Part 10

What needs to happen next?

- Implementation of the Land Reform (Scotland) Act 2016, Part 10
- Proper recognition and protection of tenant's existing property rights
- Avoiding short termism and the need for long term thinking in the management and letting of land

Scottish Land Commission

- Tenant Farming Commissioner
- Key to successful implementation of the Land Reform Act, Part 10
- Bring landlord/tenant relationships up to 21st Century standards

Land Rights and Responsibilities Statement

- Duty on ministers to ensure the sustainable long term management of our soils

Why farm tenancies are an important part of land reform in Scotland

- Have brought about greater diversity of land ownership in agricultural areas
- Will continue to bring about greater diversity of land ownership
- Role of secure tenancies in maintaining rural communities in fragile rural areas