

## **ALONE respond to Residential Landlord Association's call for removal of ban on bedsits**

**Dublin, 3<sup>rd</sup> March 2015** ALONE have responded to Fintan McNamara of the Residential Landlord Association's comments that the Government should "remove the draconian blanket ban on bedsits".

Sean Moynihan, Chief Executive Officer of ALONE commented, "ALONE strongly disagrees with the RLA's call for the amendment of the ban on bedsits, ALONE has been campaigning against this type of accommodation for over 30 years and we don't want to go back. We would be concerned that it would be the most vulnerable who would be forced into this type of accommodation, often located in old buildings with sub-standard conditions. ALONE believes the government needs to look at long term strategic solutions to providing quality housing instead of short term reactions to the current crisis".

For those who have concerns about their own wellbeing, or the wellbeing of a vulnerable older person in the community, ALONE can be contacted on (01) 679 1032. To make a donation and help aid ALONE's work visit [www.alone.ie](http://www.alone.ie)