

Theresa May appoints new Minister of State for Housing and Planning

On 17 July 2016 the housing world discovered who would replace Brandon Lewis M.P. as Housing & Planning Minister, in the Department of Communities and Local Government, now headed by Sajid Javid M.P.

[Gavin Barwell](#) has been the M.P for Croydon Central since 6 May 2010 and was previously in the Whips Office. Before being elected to Parliament, he had worked for the Conservative Party as well as a consultant, and was also a Croydon Councillor from 1998 to 2010.

Mr Barwell is the 14th Housing Minister since 1997, and the 5th since 2010, and can be followed on Twitter [@GavinBarwellMP](#).



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