

Community Led Housing

Parish update

April 2019

A quarterly update to parishes to inform them of progress to date with Community Led Housing (CLH) within Wiltshire.

Team Updates

Mark Henderson, the planner for the Community Led Housing Project has secured a permanent role within the Council and has left the team.

Cindy-Ann Carter has also been successful in obtaining the role of landscape officer for Wiltshire Council.

We wish them both every success with their new roles.

Sharing Information

Big thanks to Steve Vaux from Seend CLT who was kind enough to present at an inaugural meeting of Pewsey CLT and share his experiences. Seend CLT have also been sharing their experiences with Colerne who are actively looking to form a Community Land Trust.

Also, Ashley Truluck, of Broad Chalke CLT and Ione Lacey, of the Nadder CLT, who presented at the South West Area Board.

Being able to share experiences and knowledge is key in this area as we rely heavily on volunteers to get the community engaged and ready to take on these models of delivery.

Community Led Housing Accreditation

Vicky Bodman and James Taylor have now started completed their training to become accredited Community Led Housing (CLH) advisors by the Chartered Institute of Housing. They have both now passed the full qualification and are now fully accredited advisors. They become the 2nd and 3rd accredited advisors in the Country.



The course was a great opportunity to develop working relationships with other CLH advisors from across the country and learn from the shared experience. There is so much being undertaken in this area across the country and it

has been a key opportunity for developing networks.

Community Land Trusts in Wiltshire

As the project moves forward we now have 7 CLTs who have set up:

Broad Chalke CLT – Have had their revenue funding approved by Homes England and are now working with their Architects and White Horse to take their development forward.

Bromham CLT – Are looking for viable sites to take forward a development.

Cricklade CLT – Have managed to get the Police Station in Cricklade registered as a community asset. This will allow them 6 months to try and raise the funds needed to purchase the Police Station when it is put up for sale.

Nadder CLT – Are moving forward with their drive for membership and are working to see they are able to negotiate on a piece of land they have interest in.

Pewsey CLT – The group are moving forward and will set their vision and mission once they have the results of their Rural Housing Needs Survey

Seend CLT – Currently the group are bidding for Homes England revenue funding. They are also in the process of securing an option on a site. Interviews have been undertaken and an architect has been selected to take this project forward.

Wilton CLT – Continue to look for suitable sites to develop as a CLT.

Rural Housing Needs Surveys

Nadder CLT have just had their Rural Housing Needs Survey carried out for Tisbury and West Tisbury. The analysis is currently being undertaken.

Pewsey CLT have their Rural Housing Needs Survey being undertaken at present. Pewsey are promoting the Rural Housing Needs Survey across the Parish and are seeking to ensure that

they capture information from those who work in the area but are unable to afford to live there.

Seend Parish Council, working with Seend CLT, are piloting a new Rural Housing Needs Survey. Once this is complete and analysis of the pilot has been undertaken, we will be looking to use this model across Wiltshire.

The Community Led Housing team, alongside White Horse and Homes4Wiltshire, hosted a drop in session in Seend for people who have queries over the questions asked in the survey and to assist those in need to complete their applications for the housing register. The team will also be there on Wednesday 24th April from 3pm – 7pm at the Irene Usher Pavilion, Seend. We will be doing the same next week in Pewsey (Wednesday 17th April, 3pm – 7pm) and again on Saturday May 11th 10:30am – 1pm at The Vale Community Campus, Pewsey.



Out and About

The team have had a busy few months, working with formed Community Land Trusts and discussing possibilities with many.

Vicky and Rebecca presented to the Bradford on Avon Town Council.



James Taylor has been doing a lot of work with groups who are thinking about Community Led Housing as a route to delivery for them, including Worton, Southwick, Limpley Stoke and Rowde.

Dates for the Diary

The roadshow continues with the next event being held at County Hall, Trowbridge on Thursday 2nd May from 10:30am – 2pm. Please do come and see us if you require any information, help or guidance with Community Led Housing.



We aim to be at the Armed Forces Day in Salisbury from the 28th – 30th June to promote Community Led Housing in Wiltshire.

We also hope to attend local fetes over the summer to help promote Community Led Housing. **Please let us know if you have an event which you would like us to attend to promote the idea of Community Led Housing.**

We will be looking to hold an event in the summer to bring the different parishes together to discuss Community Led Housing which we hope you will all be able to attend. **Please could you let us know if there are any particular subjects you would like covered?**

Community Led Homes Website

Community Led Homes is a partnership project between the [Confederation of Co-operative](#)

[Housing](#), [Locality](#), the [National Community Land Trust Network](#) and [UK Cohousing](#).

The new website for the partnership is www.communityledhomes.org.uk which is a portal which will steer you in the right direction of what assistance you are looking for.

The Community Led Homes Start-Up Support programme has seed corn funding of £4000 to get groups started. This replaces the funding that was previously available from the National Community Land Trust Network.

CLH in the news

Channel 4 is currently showing a new series of Grand Designs: The Street which is shown on Thursdays at 9pm. The show follows 10 households as they embark on an epic five-year mission to construct their own homes, creating a brand-new street in Britain's biggest **self-build** project at the Graven Hill development

The Guardian has an interesting article on co-ops - [Can co-ops solve the housing crisis?](#)

Locally, Seend were in the press when they selected White Horse as their partner in their development - [Community-led affordable housing partnership launched in Seend](#)

Further information

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