

TEXT – NALC COMMUNITY LED HOUSING SURVEY – AT 21/7/16;

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The National Association is aware that 71% of parishes are rural by the former DEFRA definition. It has policy positions based on rural housing deprivation and making sure that parishes are full statutory consultees on all aspects of the planning system. In order to inform its rural oriented policy work and related workstreams the Association is very interested in the sector’s views on, experience with and interest in community-led housing and on giving parishes more powers to buy land and then to allocate housing built on that land to local residents based on housing need. However, this survey will also be of interest to urban parishes.

Accordingly the Association would be hugely grateful if the sector could please answer the below questions based on community led housing to inform its work in this area moving forward and help it to lobby the Government across Departments to ensure that parishes get the best deal from the new Government on community led housing. This is following the announcement by the Government, in the Spring Budget 2016 [LINK: https://www.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploads/attachment_data/file/508193/HMT_Budget_2016_Web_Accessible.pdf], that £60 million will be provided to enable community-led housing developments, including Community Land Trusts (CLTs), in rural and coastal communities where the impact of second homes is felt to be particularly acute. Results will be shared with relevant parliamentarians, INLOGOV and the National Community Land Trust Network.

Accordingly, therefore, NALC and its Policy Committee (which at source is responsible for the Parishes 2025 TFG within the NALC governance structure) would be very grateful if you could please answer the below 15 short questions by latest 17:00 on 30 September, 2016. NALC will then feed-back responses to the NALC Policy Committee and its Research and Lobbying Task and Finish Group (TFG).

1. Please tell us the name of your local council / County Association here _____ . **[Required]**

[Required]

2. Are you aware of the following approaches to community-led housing?

Community Land Trusts (CLT)		Development Trusts	
Cooperatives		Self-help housing	
Cohousing		Other (Please specify)	

For more information on these approaches please visit:
National CLT Network: www.communitylandtrusts.org.uk or watch the following film: [https://youtu.be/ujaSjnFSHTY]
UK Cohousing Network: www.cohousing.org.uk
Confederation of Cooperative Housing: www.cch.coop
Locality: www.locality.org.uk
Self-help housing: www.self-help-housing.org

3. Does your parish council have any community-led housing groups in its boundaries? If so, which ones and where?:

[Required]

4. Does your parish council have a significant problem with high house prices and the lack of homes that are affordable for local people?:

5. Does your parish council have a significant problem with second home ownership in its area?:

[Required]

6. Would your parish council like to initiate or see a CLT or another form of community-led housing developed in its area? Please specify:

7. If yes, would you be interested in being contacted by the National CLT Network or another relevant support body to help you with this?

8. Would your parish council like to be able to have more powers to buy land in its area?;

[Required]

9. Would your parish council being able to allocate housing on a needs basis on land it owned significantly reduce second home ownership in your area?:

[Required]

10. What other housing problems does your parish council face and would your parish council be in favour of having more powers in future to be able to write a housing allocation policy for its area?;

[Required]

11. Do neighbouring parish councils to your own want to have powers to buy more land in their areas?:

[Required]

12. Do you think the Government should legislate to give parish councils the right to allocate housing on land they own from any source?

13. Do you think future Neighbourhood Plans should allow flexibility for parishes to allocate housing in their own areas?

14. Please add any additional comments here _____.

15. Submit

Please click **here** to formally submit your council's / County Association's response to this survey.