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What will I be talking about today?

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- Homes England – who we are, what we do
- Community Housing Fund
- Next steps?

Background – who are we?

- We were first referenced in Government's Housing White Paper in February 2017
- Chancellor Phillip Hammond included us as part of the November 2017 budget
- We launched in January 2018 by the Secretary of State
- It is more than just a name change!



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We have a **big role to play**

Our investment in supply and interventions in the market will help deliver 300,000 homes a year by the middle of the next decade.



We want to disrupt the market

We need to increase the number of people building homes, particularly SMEs and companies using Modern Methods of Construction. We see community led housing delivery playing a big part in that.



£15.3 billion

Of new financial support made available by the Budget; for housing over the next 5 years

Bringing the total support for housing in this period to at least **£44 billion**

What does this mean for community led housing.....

We have **huge opportunities to use the additional funding and planning reforms** outlined in the Budget to ensure that:

- there is more land for housing,
- there is further investment in infrastructure,
- homes get built on the land as soon as possible,
- new entrants are supported into the market, including SMEs,
- brownfield sites are transformed,
- we deliver the future Community Housing Fund (CHF), and
- we support Government's commitment to halve rough sleeping by 2022.

We need to explore new ways to deliver with ambitious new partners and clients – and community led housing is a big part of that.

Community Housing Fund phase 1 – objectives and key features

- To increase housing supply in England by increasing the number of additional homes delivered by the community led sector
- To provide housing that is affordable at local income levels and remains so in perpetuity,
- To deliver a lasting legacy in the form of an effective and financially self-sustaining community-led body of expertise within the house building industry in England.

	Project related revenue	infrastructure
Who can bid?	Orgs that are, or intend to become, a body corporate	Local Authorities
What will funding cover?	Group capacity building, project specific professional fees and costs, incl feasibility and design work, planning application, business and project planning	Associated infrastructure to open up sites for development, including access roads/roundabout, site remediation, flood attenuation, utilities
Limits on payments?	No strict limit, but not 100%. To comply with de-minimus rule, total funding in 3 years to 2020 must not exceed 200,000 Euros	No strict limit, but not 100%.
Time limits	All payment milestones reached by 31.3.20	All payment milestones reached by 31.3.20
Need to be RP?	no	no

How can we work together to develop an investment pipeline?

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How to bid?

[www.gov.uk/government/collections/
community-housing-fund](https://www.gov.uk/government/collections/community-housing-fund)

Community Housing Fund – phase 2

Currently under development:

Looking at ways to fund costs of affordable housing development

- New forms of affordable housing, including those not currently funded
- How to combine with Affordable Homes Programme
- Registration, Registration, Registration....

Other support available

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- Affordable homes programme **open for bidding** - funding available for a **range of tenures**
- **Flexibility** in 18/19 and beyond – using our land, collaboration and encouraging new entrants and new partnerships
- Relationships, networks, brokerage and promotion
- Land!
- Investment via Home Building Fund

Key Message:

- We want to promote community led development as an integral part of the development economy
- We will use our networks, relationships and brokerage to support and promote the sector
- By combining our funding, land and expertise we can support you

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Thanks

Any questions?