Community Led Housing Tenure models

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Community Led Housing

- Community Led Housing (CLH) is housing schemes, designed, owned or managed by community groups.
 They do not have to set them up but they do have to support them.
- The homes are provided through a democratic, non profit legally defined organisation that has an 'asset lock' which protects the homes in perpetuity. Homes are delivered at costs linked to 35% of income not property values.
- Can include Community Land Trusts, Cohousing, Cooperative and Mutual Home Ownership organisations.
- 15,000 homes in pipeline nationally
- Examples and information on Community Led Housing

Examples of assets held



Stretham and Wilburton CLT Affordable homes



Chedworth CLT Community woods



High Bickington Farm land



Isle of Ghia – community energy



Library, café, nursery & homes Southwold CLT

Community Led Housing Tenures

Community Led Housing Groups can access funding and deliver Innovative housing solutions that are not available to local authorities or housing associations.

The models below have been delivered in the UK, see links provided.

Community Led Housing Groups need to consider how they can access Funding to deliver their schemes or whether they would like to partner with the Council, a housing association or existing non profit organisation. Funding information is available here

Homes can be built by professional contractors or people who seek to meet their housing need via self build, providing the underpinning legal entity is a non profit organisation and the homes are protected in perpetuity.

Community Led Housing Tenures

	Rent	Ownership
For Profit	Rent to Buy Rent to Build Market Rent	Self and custom build Home ownership
Not for profit	Rent to equity Tenancy Plus Affordable Rent Social Rent Self-build Self-help (renovation)	Shared equity Self-build Equity Purchase (USA model) Mutual Home Ownership Shared ownership Rent to equity (USA)

Shared Equity (London CLT)



Land bought for £1 by CLT from developer CLT raised funds (community share offer) Bought homes at build cost. (Developer provided the subsidy)

Cost of homes based on 1/3 median incomes With ward. This links income to housing cost.

Resale covenants recycle the subsidy & Homes remain affordable for future occupants



Bought home based
On 1/3 median income

Mutual Home Ownership (Leeds Cohousing)

Couples, singles, families or retired





Mix of low to high incomes



Members pay 10% deposit + 35% of their income They buy into whole scheme not specific property Property costs linked to incomes not property value

Resale covenant when leave Payments – maintenance charges = equity

MUTUAL HOME OWNERSHIP SOCIETY (part of Cooperative Housing Society model)







http://www.lilac.coop/affordable/

Self build St Minver CLT



8 bungalows for purchase by self finishers

£107,100 (2008) 3 bed property – resale covenant fixed at 35.7% - growth in resale value Recycled for next buyer

St Minver CLT hold pre-emption rights & resale covenant with local connection cascade

https://www.the-self-build-guide.co.uk/st-minver-community-land-trust/



Buys house off CLT



CLT buys land with mortgage & builds homes

CLT sells 80% for purchase

Equity Purchase (USA model)

CLT model

Subsidy = land
Low or £0 cost land required
CLT raises mortgage for development
CLT sells % (no additional rent)
(Buyer shares maintenance with CLT)
CLT recycles sales growth back into scheme
Resale covenant recycles in perpetuity for
benefit of CLT & future buyers

Working example - resale covenant

Property = £200,000 at open market value Household buys 80% = £160,000 (no additional rent)

CLT retains/owns 20% = £40,000

At resale:

Property now worth = £250,000 Open market value 20% x £50,000 growth shared with seller = £10,000 CLT receives £40,000 into equity pot.

Buyer 2

Open market value £250,000

Buys 80% = £200,000

The equity pot helps the CLT provide the discount.

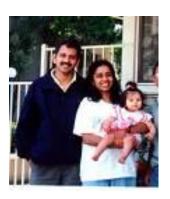
(BSHF 2006a)

Rent to Equity (USA model)



Owned by CLT (with mortgage)

Assured Rental Agreement 20-year repairs responsibility



Renters pay 80% open Market rental value

Exit formula:

Householder receives an equity stake, calculated on the rise in value of the property.

Example

£100k (property value) occupier leaves after 15 years £150k (property value) occupier gets 50-90% of the £50k increase (£25k - £34k) as deposit new home

CLT recycles equity back into property

Affordable housing - definition

Based on National Planning Policy Framework – summary

 Homes must be below market values for eligible people who are unable to meet their housing needs via the open market. They must also have the Right to Buy (LA) or Right to Acquire (HA)* their rental homes with a discount.

Tenures - Rent

- Affordable Rent 80% open market values (post 2012 policy)
- Not covered by housing benefit in some areas
- Social Rent 50% open market values (pre 2012 policy)

Tenures – ownership

- Shared ownership can buy from 10% share + rent on unsold equity (low deposit)
- Discount Open Market buy 80% of home, no rent (high deposit)
- First Homes buy 70-80%, no rent (high deposit)

30-40% affordable homes delivered as part of private developments – few homes via Rural Exception Site Policy

^{*}Assets owned by CLT or Cooperative are protected from these rights on rented homes.

The Housing Problem -Affordability

40% earn less than £19,699 (East Suffolk)* 60% earn less than £27,392 (East Suffolk)*

Average income £28,472 (East Suffolk)*

Median income £23,277 (East Suffolk)*

Residents need 8 X income = median priced home Source

*Source: Table 8.7a

The Housing Problem - costs

Property Type	Cheapest property price (Waveney) *	Cheapest property price (Suffolk Coastal) *
1 Bed Flat	£85,900	£134,800
2 Bed Flat	£119,200	£184,300
2 Bed House	£187,900	£250,000
3 Bed House	£224,000	£323,800
4 Bed House	£346,500	£457,500

Cheapest 2 bed house (Waveney) needs joint income of £45,635 plus £28,185 deposit (15%)

^{*}Based on data from Hometrack Q3, 2021/22

Community led Housing – Benefits

- CLH groups link housing costs to incomes, not property values
- CLH can prevent homes sold via Right to Buy/Right to Shared Ownership
- CLH groups can partner with LA/HA/PC's
- CLH groups can access funding LA/HA's cannot.
- CLH groups can deliver tenures LA/HA's cannot.
- CLH groups are legally incorporated, with built in protections
- CLH groups are mainly non-profit but some 'for profit' exist.

Useful links

- National CLT Network (communitylandtrusts.org.uk)
- Homepage | Community Led Homes
- Community Led Housing » East Suffolk Council
- Co-operative Councils' Innovation Network Home Page
- CommunityLedHousing@EastSuffolk.gov.uk